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## Shadow thrown on lighthouse



**SEASIDE VILLAGE** Protesters climbed atop the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse last week as workers sawed away at the structure's foundation. JACK DURHAM | UNION

**Jack Durham**  
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TRINIDAD – In the coming days the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse may be picked up by a crane and moved to a new foundation about 22 feet away. And it's likely that protesters will be on hand, as they have been since last week, to speak out against the controversial project.

### Trinidad stakeholders at odds over lighthouse relocation. A3

#### The move

Patti Fleschner of the Trinidad Civic Club, which owns the small parcel on which the lighthouse sits, said last week that the exact timing of the move will depend on the weather and the availability of a crane. The move could take place as early as this week.

On Dec. 20, workers poured an eight-inch thick, 14

LIGHTHOUSE ❖ A6

## Plaza reform ideas aired, more to come

### Big council study session on Monday

**Kevin L. Hoover**  
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ARCATA – Their backs turned to an uncaring sea of empty seats in Council Chamber at City Hall, members of Arcata's Parks and Rec Committee worked through issues at its December meeting.

Noting the upcoming Plaza-specific City Council meetings – one on Jan. 8 about downtown conditions, and another on Feb. 21 at which the McKinley statue and Jacoby Building plaque will be discussed – the committee focused on ideas for better socializing the Plaza.

As is stated at virtually every Plaza-related meeting, mainstream events are effective at holding riff-raff at bay, minimizing violations and generally civilizing the town square. Thus, committeemembers set about brainstorming wholesome activities that might take place there.

"We have this great space," observed Julie Neander, deputy director of community services and staff liaison to the committee. "How do we better use it?"

Some 70 special events took place on the Plaza in 2017, but Chair Nancy Starck noted that most occurred on weekends. "During the weekdays we could use more programming," she said. She suggested more drop-in events, classes, dance and other performances.

Member Jayne McGuire suggested dog obedience classes of the type which have been offered by the Arcata Recreation Division. But Neander noted that non-service dogs are – officially, anyway – banned from the Plaza, so McGuire withdrew the idea. "I forgot that piece," she said.

McGuire noted that the Plaza gets gnarliest when darkness falls, and suggested that existing night classes be incentivized to relocate to the Plaza.

Member Shane Brotherton suggested a Plaza Movie Night, "like at Crabs Stadium," referring to the "Friday

PLAZA ❖ A2



**STATUESQUE** Protester Fhyre Phoenix is one of many who believe Plaza reforms should begin with removal of the William McKinley statue. That could be further discussed at next week's City Council study session, and certainly will be at another council meeting in February. **Pro- and anti-McKinley arguments appear on page A5.** JD | UNION

## Crab season delayed again

**Daniel Mintz**  
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HUMBOLDT – The commercial Dungeness crab season won't begin until mid-January, as insufficient meat levels have prevented a late December opening.

The North Coast area's commercial crabbing was scheduled to begin Dec. 1 but crabs collected in Eureka, Trinidad and Crescent City failed to meet the 25 percent meat to total weight ratio that's necessary for opening the season north of Point Arena.

Low meat levels also cancelled openings in mid-December and the end of the month.

Tests of crabs collected on Dec. 19 in the three northern areas showed 19.8 percent to 21.7 percent meat to weight ratios. The below-standard results struck a Dec. 31 opening and the season will begin on Jan. 15, as state rules don't allow delays past that date.

There is a market shortage of Dungeness crab, as meat-related delays have affected most of the West Coast.

Low meat levels persist in some areas of Washington and Oregon, and the two states together with Northern California are bound by an agreement to coordinate Dungeness opening times.

California's central region south of Point Arena isn't bound by the tri-state pact and its season opened on time in mid-November.

Crabbing in the central region has been spotty, however, and Dungeness crab is generally unavailable.

Season delays have become routine in recent years, due to low meat levels and opening price disagreements between fishermen and Pacific Group, which owns Pacific Choice Seafoods and other processing plants across the coast.

The presence of the algae-related domoic acid toxin, which significantly delayed the 2015 to 2016 season, has subsided in the northern area.

Tests for the toxin on crabs collected on Dec. 11 and 12 north of Fort Bragg and in Crescent City showed none of them exceeding safety levels.

**VETS HALL CELEBRATION** 2018 was happily ushered in at the Arcata Veterans Memorial Building with the re-opening of the hall's canteen, rechristened **The Whiskey Cellar**. Right, Sophia Bogner, Alison Robbins and Steve and Patricia McHaney enjoy the facilities. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION



Left, Arcata Police Citizen Volunteer Patrollers and veterans Lil Stodder (USAF 1st lieutenant) and Fred Jamison (USMC corporal) cruised by the hall. The dining hall's pillars, window and door frames are being stripped of seven coats of paint to reveal clear redwood, while an upstairs mini-bar and sink will be installed outside the main room. This week's Vet's Hall activities include a Warrior's Lunch today at noon, an Arcata Chamber of Commerce monthly mixer Thursday evening and the American Legion monthly meeting Friday night. **Facebook/Arcata Vets Hall**

## PG&E gas project exposes festering sewage leak

### Urgent repairs needed

**Kevin L. Hoover**  
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ARCATA – An infrastructure problem discovered by PG&E is going to cost the City of Arcata up to \$60,000 to repair, and it has to be done quickly.

Toiling underneath Samoa Boulevard on its California Natural Gas upgrade project, utility workers found that the connection linking Arcata's main sewer line to a manhole there has failed. The problem dates back to an apparently sloppy repair in the 1970s, which left bits of permeable "Techite" material in place at the joint.

According to a staff report, well-compacted soil around the faulty connection prevented sewage exfiltration over the years, but the recent excavation has exposed the weakened joint and worsened the leak.

The council is being asked to authorize City Manager Karen Diemer to negotiate a contract for up to \$75,000 to pay for repairs and any unforeseen expenses. A preliminary estimate puts costs at \$50,000 to \$60,000.

The work is to be expedited for a couple of reasons, according to the staff report. "When heavy rains begin, the volume of wastewater in this line will increase significantly to upwards of three million gal-

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**DELAYED** The PG&E gas line project at Seventh and I streets was supposed to be done this month, but the sewage problem will delay completion. KLH | UNION

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# Transformative year for county government

**Daniel Mintz**  
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HUMBOLDT – The past year saw county government taking new policy approaches, with several departments in a state of transition and leadership change.

Social services-related issues were highlighted by the county’s Grand Jury and a vexing infrastructure dilemma – the worrisome condition of the county’s roads – emerged as a public safety issue.

But the most work-intensive and impactful effort of county government was and will continue to be the daylighting of an underground industry that became state-licensed this week, on New Year’s Day.

**From marijuana to cannabis**

The last day of 2016 marked a milestone in the county’s regulation of cannabis – it was the deadline for submitting permit applications under a commercial production ordinance.

More than 300 applications were turned in that day, bringing the total number of permit applications to 2,337. By April, the county was in early stages of the next phase of regulation – drafting a new ordinance done under a more thorough environmental review than the existing one.

As permit approvals advanced, so did complaints about odor from residents of neighborhoods that border grow sites. In response, the new ordinance proposes expanded setbacks from residences and the borders of cities and communities, and giving cultivators other location choices.

Energy use, generator use and lighting are also targeted for new controls in the updated ordinance.

Later that spring, the county was considering means of dealing with growers who proceed with operations despite having incomplete permit applications. The hammer of fines of up to \$10,000 a day was tempered by the use of cooperative compliance agreements which incentivize improved cultivation practices.

By early June, 225 permit applications were complete and 33 permits had been

approved. The county continued to push for application re-submissions and by mid-July, 926 re-submissions were handed in and 45 permits had been approved.

Some of them were for areas that border neighborhoods, prompting suggestions of lawsuits against the county. A controversial proposal emerged in response – to apply the more restrictive standards of the new ordinance to operations proposed and permitted under the existing one.

The fall months saw the number of complete applications nearing 2,000, with over 60 permits approved by late September. As the new ordinance was readied for Planning Commission review, the county held local workshops in several communities.

About 90 permits had gained approvals when the county’s Planning Commission held its first public hearing on the new ordinance in mid-November. The scale of remaining work is outlined in the ordinance’s Environmental Impact Report, which estimates that the county has up to 15,000 grow sites.

At a second commission hearing, the divisive proposal to retroactively apply the new ordinance’s setback standards to permits already approved and in the application phase got majority support among commissioners.

During a third hearing in mid-December, commissioners considered – and declined to support – two restrictive proposals that would reduce the environmental impacts of additional permitting.

Banning the permitting of new grows and capping the total number of permits in the county were both rejected. Commissioners agreed to support a compromise policy related to the latter restriction, generally recommending that the Board of Supervisors decide on a cap if a watershed-by-watershed analysis reveals environmental impacts.

The commission’s final hearing is set for Jan. 11.

**General Plan approved, finally**

The county’s visionary planning document – the General Plan – gained approval

after 17 years of debate, controversy and political maneuvering.

The General Plan charts the county’s growth over the next two decades and updates the one that was approved in 1984. Work on it began in 2000 and was immediately controversial, as environmental and economic interests clashed.

By 2012, supervisors were ready to field a draft of the plan recommended by the Planning Commission. But that year, the composition of the board changed and a majority of supervisors supported by realtors and property rights advocates called for a complete re-do.

Supervisors approved an overhauled plan in late October. The most significant mapping changes from the 2012 draft involve changing the designations of agriculture and timber parcels to enhance residential entitlements.

**Grand Jury’s ‘raw, disturbing’ report**

In early July, the county’s Grand Jury released an annual report that delves into child welfare issues that are “raw, disturbing and should be of concern to all members of our community.”

Protecting children from abuse and responding to it were main investigative items in the report.

Declaring that “the children of Humboldt County are ill-served by the intake system that is meant to protect them,” the report analyzes the effectiveness of child protection services.

“Unfortunately, the (Grand Jury) discovered that our children are not being afforded the protections that they deserve,” the report states.

The report’s recommendations include having the county’s Department of Health and Human Services develop a “timeliness metric” for measuring response times once child abuse/neglect is reported.

The department’s response was issued the next month, noting that the system for responding to reporters of suspected child abuse has changed this year.

Health and Human Services Director Connie Beck’s response also points out that the county is working with the state’s Attorney General’s Office and the National

Council on Crime and Delinquency to train social workers and revise Child Welfare Services (CWS) emergency response procedures.

The Grand Jury also looked at the consolidation of the county Sheriff’s Office and Public Administrator/Coroner Office, recommending that a “civilian professional” be hired for the public administrator role.

In his response, Sheriff Billy Honsal notes that since the report’s release, an investigation into the conduct of the Public Administrator’s Office regarding sales of estate items is being conducted by the state Department of Justice.

Honsal’s response states, “The ongoing investigation will not only review and evaluate past practices, but will also result in necessary improvements to the public administrator’s policies and procedures.”

**New leads**

Changes in leadership of key county departments made 2017 a year of transition.

County Sheriff Mike Downey retired in early May, with Undersheriff Billy Honsal appointed by supervisors as his replacement.

Downey moved to Humboldt County in 1986 and the Southern Humboldt area was the hub of his first phase of county law enforcement work.

Honsal will serve the remainder of Downey’s term and is expected to run in the November 2018 election.

Another longtime county department head, Todd Sobolik, retired in December after 33 years of work as a building official.

County Public Defender Kevin Robinson’s retirement early in the year was probably the most transformative of all, as his board-appointed replacement, David Marcus, was extremely controversial.

Marcus began work in February and was met with immediate rejection by the office’s attorneys, its staff and local defense attorneys.

A lawsuit challenging his qualification for the post was filed and several of the office’s key attorneys resigned. Marcus himself resigned toward the end of the year and the board’s process for replacing him will be closely watched as 2018 begins.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** Arcata’s Public Safety Task Force meets tonight, Jan. 3 at 6 p.m. in the Senior Room at the Arcata Community Center to discuss downtown alcohol and safety issues and its draft report to the Arcata City Council.

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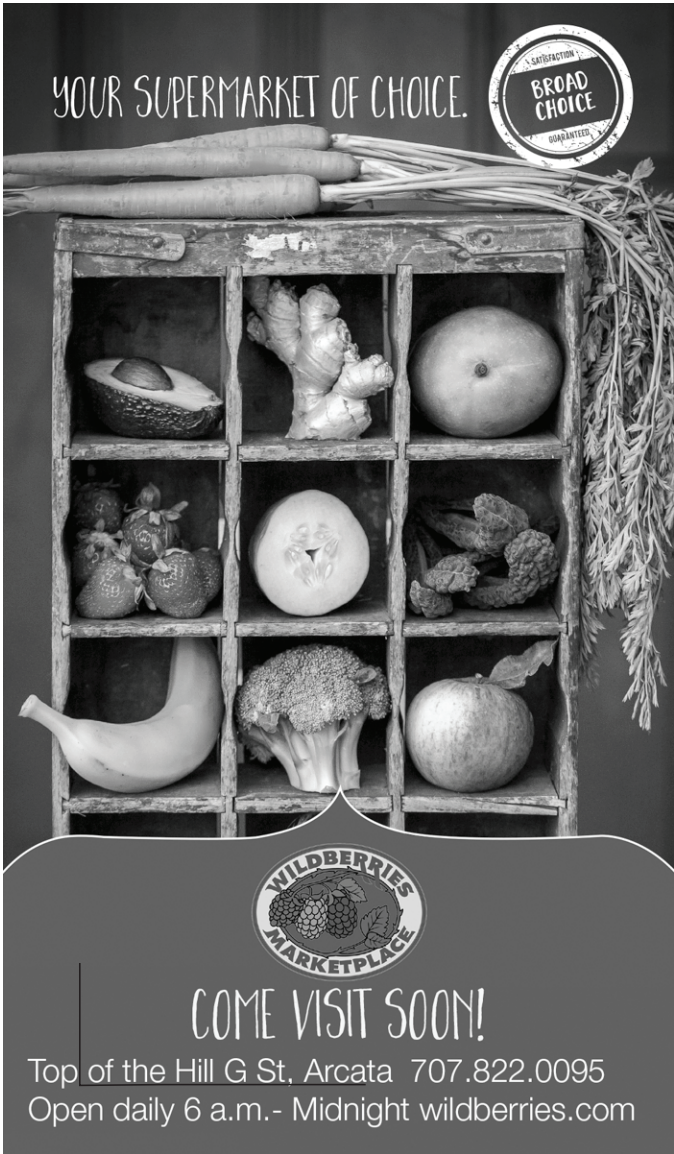
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## Plaza | Monthly Mural, al fresco dining among ideas for town square

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Night Flicks” held at the Arcata Ball Park last summer. It wouldn’t be the first time. Years ago, movies were shown during a Friday night Arts! Arcata, with the building at Eighth and G streets which houses the “Plaza” store used as a projection screen.

“We can certainly explore the logistics,” Neander said.

Ideas flowed fast and furious, even, as member Steve Martin observed, without use of the custom-

ary butcher paper. He suggested a steel drum class.

Brotherton said a “watered-down monthly version” of Pastels on the Plaza might be offered, maybe called “Monthly Murals.” McGuire said a monthly theme might be used, with a supervising artist offering a quick lesson and then turning the participating artists loose on that idea.

Starck wondered what could be done to get senior citizens out on the Plaza. Neander said that the Humboldt Senior Resource Center might be approached as a potential partner in scoping possibilities. “Do seniors have unmet needs that we could do on the Plaza?” she said.

Another idea was to

boost al fresco dining on the Plaza, possibly with one day a week designated for food trucks to assemble there. Still more ideas included some sort of improvisational theatre, though arguably that’s what the committee is trying to replace. Brotherton suggested flash mobs that would flare into being every half hour, but there again, different from the ones already plaguing the Plaza.

Neander said there are any number of community groups whose cooperation might be enlisted in the effort – the Dell’Arte School of Physical Theatre, the Arcata Playhouse, Ink People Center for the Arts and the Sanctuary.

She also cautioned that

collaborations will bring liability issues and fees, but also that sponsorships and grants might be solicited to help subsidize some activities.

**Still more Plaza brainstorming**

While the meeting was free of broad sheets of paper on which to jot the ideas, butcher paper aficionados may see the return of the idea-absorbing rolls next Monday night, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center.

That’s when the Arcata City Council will indulge Arcata’s enduring civic hobby and once again hold a study session to discuss the Plaza.

The agenda begins with

a “brief history of community Plaza improvements” and then some brainstorming, then “public breakout stations” to prioritize the ideas. This will be followed by public comment.

City Manager Karen Diemer said she has the Parks and Rec Committee’s suggestions, some of which could provide motivating visuals.

“The idea is to go hog wild with pictures that depict all the great ideas that have been generated over the years and not implemented, and see if we can narrow down some priorities,” Diemer said. “This will be a meeting of paper you don’t want to miss.”

## Sewer | Urgent project to protect bay from massive sewage spill

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lons a day, causing a condition of risk of imminent failure of the line,” the report states. Continues the report, “the necessity to protect Humboldt Bay from a sewer leak of this magnitude is paramount.”

Along with environmental damage, any sewage spill

into the bay would likely result in substantial fines by the Water Quality Control Board.

The normal process for contracting for repairs – developing a bid package and hiring someone to do the work – would take about two months. That would leave the area exposed and at risk of the line which carries about 60 percent of Arcata’s sewage bursting open and putting the bay at risk.

It would also delay PG&E in completing repairs at two sites – the Samoa Boulevard project and the gas line work at Seventh and I streets. The latter project has been in progress since mid-September.

PG&E spokesperson Deanna Contreras said the Seventh and I project will continue through late January or early February. Area residences and businesses will be notified of any interruptions in service as the project continues.

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# Rancheria, Yurok Tribe & city issue dueling statements over lighthouse

Trinidad Rancheria says it was misrepresented, maligned

**TRINIDAD RANCHERIA**  
TRINIDAD – Recently, the Cher-ae Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria (Trinidad Rancheria), a Federally Recognized Tribe, has been attacked politically and culturally by the Yurok Tribe and the Tsurai Ancestral Society (TAS). Until this time, the Tribal Council has chosen not to respond to allegations and accusations made by either group. The Trinidad Rancheria has been misrepresented and maligned by the TAS, as well as by members of the Yurok Tribe, their Council and staff. Despite these unjustified accusations and negative attacks, the Trinidad Rancheria is determined to remain faithful to our Vision and Mission Statements.

The Trinidad Rancheria is extremely concerned about the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse, as well as Trinidad Rancheria lands, the Tsurai Village, the Galindo Street Trail, and the larger Trinidad Community as a whole. We want the community and the public to understand that we do not agree with some aspects of the statements and actions of the Yurok Tribe and the TAS regarding these areas.

To collaboratively come to a successful resolution of the issue of the Memorial Lighthouse, Trinidad Rancheria recommends convening the Civic Club (the owner of the Memorial Lighthouse), and the appropriate governmental entities and stakeholders to develop solutions and create a cooperative body for the Memorial Lighthouse and the surrounding area.

An extremely good example of a local cooperative management team is the one formed through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Trinidad Head Lighthouse Management Plan. The United States Coast Guard transferred the Trinidad Head Lighthouse to the BLM in May, 2014. The BLM asked the City of Trinidad, The Yurok Tribe, and the Trinidad Rancheria “to participate as Cooperating Agencies (40 CFR 1501.6, 40 CFR 1508.5) to bring special expertise to the development of this management plan.” The BLM model could serve as a tried and true template in resolving the Memorial Lighthouse issues.

On December 7, an emergency permit was issued by the City of Trinidad to begin temporary relocation efforts of the Memorial Lighthouse. The Civic Club contracted with Trinidad Rancheria to provide cultural monitoring services for the project during the week of December 11, and our Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer felt it vital for on-site monitoring.

A certified cultural monitor was on site performing her job duties, when several staff of the Yurok Tribe arrived on site and demanded that the Civic Club and the contractor immediately cease work, and directly questioned the Trinidad Rancheria employee as to her qualifications and training as a Cultural Monitor.

The Yurok Tribe has repeatedly disputed Trinidad Rancheria’s Cultural Monitors and Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer’s knowledge and qualifications to perform such duties; when in fact, the Trinidad Rancheria and the Yurok Tribe have previously sponsored joint Cultural Monitor Certification Trainings and certified their respective monitors utilizing the identical curriculum. We trained our monitors together in a collaborative effort to protect resources throughout our shared ancestral territory.

In a December 15 statement published in the *Lost Coast Outpost*, Rosie Clayburn, the Director of the Yurok Tribe Cultural Division, stated, “If the new location slips toward the sea, it will take out the cemetery, most of the village site and the Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail, a path our people have used since time immemorial.”

As people of Yurok descent and heritage, the Rancheria respects the cultural and historic importance of the Tsurai village and agrees that protection of the village and associated burial sites is of utmost importance. The current project will move the lighthouse 20 feet to the left of the existing location. If the new location slips, it may impact the Tsurai Study Area and therefore a long-term strategy should be explored for permanent relocation

In the same article, Frankie Myers, the Yurok Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer, likened the Memorial Lighthouse to the Gold Rush era, stating that, “For Yuroks, the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse is a monument to this tragic era. We feel like it is no different than the statues created to

honor Confederate soldier in the South.”

Trinidad Rancheria agrees that the atrocities of the past were a horrific time in the history of all Yurok people, which includes not only the Yurok Tribe but also the Big Lagoon Rancheria, Resighini Rancheria and the Trinidad Rancheria, all tribes of “Historic Yurok Origin.” (Senate Report Number 100-564 at 29 (1988).

The Yurok Tribe and the TAS both deny that Trinidad Rancheria Tribal members descend from the village; however family genealogies demonstrate otherwise. Nevertheless, in the spirit of reunification and collaboration, all parties should come together in a peaceful and respectful manner to resolve the issues.

The Tsurai village is located within the historic area of ancestral territory of the Yurok people. The Yurok Tribe in their constitution claims “jurisdiction over ancestral territory,” from the mouth of Wilson Creek near Klamath to Little River. This area includes public, private and tribal lands not under the control or authority of the Yurok Tribe, and the Trinidad Rancheria has 97 acres of trust land in the region.

This “ancestral territory” is in reality a common territory shared by all descendants of Yurok People as a whole. The Yurok Tribe is not synonymous with the Yurok people; this is the ancestral homeland of all Federally Recognized Tribes of historic Yurok origin.

The Yurok Tribe has been working on Yurok Lands Legislation for several years, sponsored by Congressman Jared Huffman. The Trinidad Rancheria has been working with Congressman Huffman and his staff to recommend revised language in the legislation to specifically state that the Yurok Tribe does not have jurisdiction over ancestral territory outside their reservation boundaries.

Provided that the rights of Trinidad Rancheria members are protected, the Trinidad Rancheria does not object to the Yurok Tribe obtaining additional acreage and revising their reservation boundaries, which currently is one mile on either side of the Klamath River from the confluence of the Klamath and Trinity Rivers to the mouth of the Klamath River.

The proposed amendments in the Yurok Lands Legislation would change some provisions regarding the administration of federal lands that would be located within the revised Yurok Reservation boundary

We do object to another tribe asserting authority and jurisdiction over property and assets not under their ownership or control. All Federally Recognized Tribes of historic Yurok origin have equal standing with regard to such lands.

Trinidad Rancheria is a Federally Recognized Tribe located one mile from the City of Trinidad. The Trinidad Rancheria was established in 1917 and celebrated its centennial in 2017. Our vision statement is “Honoring the Past, Living in the Present, Looking Toward the Future.”

The Trinidad Rancheria’s mission statement upholds our belief and principle of being a strong community partner and to form collaborative partnerships: “to preserve and promote our cultural and traditional beliefs; improve quality of life and self sufficiency; uphold tribal sovereignty; create positive partnerships; and protect the environment in order to provide a healthy community, honor our elders, and guide our youth.”

Trinidad Rancheria owns and operates the Seascope Harbor Businesses including the Trinidad Pier, Seascope Restaurant, a boat launch facility and a vacation rental, totaling 9.3 acres. Pursuant to a California Ocean Plan agreement between the State and the Trinidad Rancheria, the Rancheria completed environmental improvements at the harbor, including a rebuilt pier, septic tank upgrades, a state-of-the-art wastewater treatment plant, storm water-runoff mitigations, and public restroom facilities. These improvements better serve the community and visitors to the harbor and beach area. As a government and business owner, we have demonstrated our resolve to mitigate environmental and cultural issues, and continue to develop the harbor properties with strong cultural, environmental and economic oversight.

The Trinidad Rancheria remains committed to the respectful resolution of the many issues facing the Civic Club, the City of Trinidad, and the local Federally Recognized Tribes.

Yurok Tribe calls lighthouse move ‘disgraceful and disrespectful’

**YUROK TRIBE**  
TRINIDAD – The Yurok Tribe is deeply disappointed with a premature decision to move the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse, prior to the completion of a formal consultation process between interested parties.

“To move the memorial in the midst of the consultation process, under the guise of an ‘emergency,’ is disgraceful and disrespectful,” said Rosie Clayburn, the Director of the Yurok Tribe’s Cultural Division. “We have been working, in good faith, with the City of Trinidad and Trinidad Civic Club to relocate the memorial to a place where it would not disturb our ancestors and where it would not be in danger from falling.”

“After the memorial lighthouse began to slip in the winter of 2016, the Yurok Tribe contacted the City of Trinidad and the Trinidad Civic Club to initiate an official dialogue regarding the relocation of the monument to an area that was acceptable to all. The lighthouse replica sits atop a traditional Yurok village site, containing a large cemetery, which is occupied, in part, by Yuroks who were killed by white settlers during the Gold Rush. The Tribe hoped that the structure could be moved to a destination that no longer had the potential to disturb the relatives of many local Yurok families.

Chue-rey, also spelled Tsurai, is one of the largest Yurok village sites. The adjacent natural harbor and formerly abundant natural resources enabled the Tribe to develop a thriving community on the bluffs overlooking the ocean. The protected bay was also used as a primary port during the Gold Rush, a horrific time in the Tribe’s history, when miners murdered untold numbers of Yuroks in Trinidad and along the Klamath River. Prior to the 1850s, the Yurok people had very little contact with non-Indians.

“For Yuroks, the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse is a monument to this tragic era. We feel like it is no different than the statues created to honor Confederate soldiers in the South,” said Frankie Myers, the Yurok Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer. “What we’re asking is for the city and Civic Club to give the same respect to our ancestors as they give to the families of the 238 people who were buried at sea.”

The accumulative impact of the Civic Club’s projects in proximity to the monument destabilized the bluff and caused the Memorial Lighthouse to slide last winter. The Yurok Tribe believes that the City of Trinidad and Trinidad Civic Club claimed that the memorial was in imminent danger of falling in order to push the project forward, because both knew the Tribe and Tsurai Ancestral Society did not support the move.

“The California Coastal Conservancy did not support the approval of an emergency permit, nor the proposed placement of the Memorial Lighthouse. They contested it along with attorney Ralph Faust,” said Sarah Lindgren-Akana, the secretary for the Tsurai Ancestral Society.

The new location for the lighthouse, just 12 feet from where it formerly sat, still has the potential to fail, according to geological reports associated with the project.

“If the new location slips toward the sea, it will take out the cemetery, most of the village site and the Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail, a path our people have used since time immemorial,” said Clayburn, the Director of the Yurok Cultural Division. “Even though the city and the Civic Club did not select the original placement of the memorial, they are responsible for what happens now.”

The Yurok Tribe is the largest Tribe in California with more than 6,000 members. The Tribe’s ancestral territory comprises 7.5 percent of the California coastline, spanning from the Little River to the south and Damnation Creek to the north. The eastern boundary is the Klamath River’s confluence with the Trinity River. The Tribe is a leader in natural resource management, fisheries restoration and cultural protection.

**MCKINLEYVILLE TOP-WN BOARD** The McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors will meet today, Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd. in McKinleyville. The board has a full agenda, The board will present its Community Builder Award to the Sheriff’s Citizens on Patrol program and its Employee of the Year Award to Jennifer Olsen. The board will hear an audit presentation and may vote on a grant application to get funding for after-school programs. The Humboldt Skate Park Collective will give the board an update on its efforts to raise money to build a skate park at Pierson Park. The board will review its strategic plan and will consider board member committee assignments for the new year. The board will also consider approving a new anti-discrimination policy. Various reports will also be heard by the board.

Wants to work with stakeholders to preserve lighthouse, village

**CITY OF TRINIDAD**  
TRINIDAD – The City of Trinidad has a duty to protect the Tsurai Village as well as the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse.

Moving the lighthouse to more stable ground on site will protect the village site and cultural resources below by removing the immediate threat of the Memorial Lighthouse sliding down on top of the village, and will enhance public access to the Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail and Old Home Beach.

In spring 2017 geologic studies warned that the Trinidad Memorial Light-

house was in serious danger of sliding over the bluff if not moved before the next rainy season.

Out of respect and concern for the cultural and historic significance of the village site, the Trinidad Civic Club proactively opened a dialogue with the Yurok Tribe and the Cher-ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria (Trinidad Rancheria) to discuss the possibilities for relocation of the Memorial Lighthouse.

With no feasible alternative site identified in the short time available, and the rainy season underway,

the Civic Club applied for and was granted an emergency permit to move the Lighthouse over on the Civic Club property.

The active slide next to the lighthouse is part of the natural geology of our area, and one of many such slides along this beautiful coastline.

The geology work commissioned by the City has been clear that this slide is a natural feature that is making its way up the hill from below, and is not driven by the weight of the Lighthouse or other improvements on the site.

There is no basis in fact

for the argument that previous Trinidad Civic Club projects have caused this active slide.

The statements from the Yurok Tribe and the Trinidad Rancheria highlight the differences between the local American Indian people (Yurok and Yurok descendants) who trace their families and ancestors to the Tsurai Village.

Those differences are ultimately between the gov-

ernments of the Trinidad Rancheria and the Yurok Tribe, not between the City of Trinidad and the Yurok Tribal government.

It is the City of Trinidad’s desire to bring all of the stakeholders in this matter together to work cooperatively in a meaningful and respectful way to protect and preserve the village of Tsurai and the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse.

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# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Just spreading the love, if by love we mean strewn garbage and debris

• **Friday, December 22 3:25 a.m.** The primal appeal of wafting pastry fumes may have been overcome by the sheer drunken lunatic density of the donut shop regularly encountered at this hour, as an elderly gent inside a cab out front refused, for a time, to get out of the idling taxi. But like the flaky crust of a ham and cheese croissant, his will eventually crumbled.

**10:07 a.m.** The white truck with “LKQ” on the side may be forgiven for failing to stay in its lane while passing a Jacoby Creek school, because at that kind of speed, lane position isn’t exactly easy to maintain.

**10:36 a.m.** A resident of the field between a Valley West shopping center and the newish hotel decided one of the laundromat’s clothing carts would serve his camping needs well, and trundled the thing over to his weedy domicile.

**11:33 a.m.** A man with salt and pepper facial hair deployed spicy comments at random passersby at the Marsh on South I Street. He also waved his large black stick at them, to unknown purpose.

**11:43 a.m.** A sprawling multi-camper site ’twixt 10th Street and Samoa Boulevard was furnished with a plush, luxuriant crapscape of garbage.

**6:42 p.m.** A man in a camouflage jacket stole multiple tools from a Valley West business, then ambled around back to sit on the loading dock and savor his ill-gotten gains. An officer admonished him never to return.

**8:05 p.m.** The shoplifter at a nearby supermarket did little to camouflage himself – quite the opposite. Clad in pastel tights, boots and topped with dreadlocks, he managed to remove several hundred dollars worth of unpaid-for groceries.

• **Saturday, December 23 5:34 a.m.** Guests at a no-budget Valley West motel may have temporarily mollified the front desk with facile promises that they’d quieten down, but their vows of silence were quickly sundered by a profound impulse control deficit.

**10:59 a.m.** A child custody exchange on the Plaza got yelly for the same reasons when the dad’s ex-wife and her boyfriend charged up at him and deployed a toxic cocktail of inappropriate comments, screaming and invitations to engage in combat right then right there.

**3:47 p.m.** Mischievous slumpabouts in Tavern Alley filled the air with deranged yelling, one of their number lying on the ground in silent protest, or something.

**6:06 p.m.** A man in a black hoodie likes to walk in circles around someone’s H Street home while spouting obscenities. The resident is questioning his choice of hobbies.

**6:08 p.m.** A man in a green jacket may have been ad-

ressing people in China as he lie face down at Eighth and G streets, yelling into the pavement.

**7:11 p.m.** A man on Grant Avenue yelled either at or about someone named Julia, then trudged away.

**7:16 p.m.** The Julia-yeller at Sunset Avenue and Baldwin Street took up his top-volume issue with passersby there.

**9:21 p.m.** Valley West upheld the statistical density of screechabouts, with a man wearing all black clothes blurt-ing obscenities at they who walked by.

• **Christmas Eve 4:47 a.m.** A guest at a C Street AirBNB was offered a no-brainer (and also brain-less) proposition in the driveway: “Either we are friends or you die!”

**10:30 a.m.** Surprisingly, a goateed man who’d been toting a beer and talking to himself proved to be not the best of drivers. He got into his car on the Plaza, dinged another vehicle then aimed his chariot in the direction of the freeway.

**12:48 p.m.** A woman threatened to attack an employee at a Plaza business, saying she was going to gather a mob to lynch the guy, that the proprietor was probably a cop and can we be friends? Probably not.

**3:39 p.m.** Some blurtabouts set up a passerby-bothering station at Eighth and G streets, offering screaming and general harassment services.

**4:32 p.m.** A man at Ninth and K streets should have worn a *de rigueur* rig of all-concealing camouflage-based garments of the type so popular among today’s dashing (usually away from angry shopkeepers) ne’er-do-wells. There he, wearing a red plaid shirt and cream-colored cowboy hat, spray-painted over a video surveillance camera.

**5:34 p.m.** After stealing petrol from several vehicles in a Weott Way parking lot, the siphoning slithy tove lazily left the gas tank doors open and the hose dangling limply from the last tank he drained.

**5:36 p.m.** A man with a face tattoo and orange blanket called police from a Eureka-bound bus saying he didn’t understand why he was alone on Christmas. He believes there is a conspiracy to keep him homeless.

**9:16 p.m.** A Samoa Boulevard residence suffered the loss of multiple expensive items after someone slithered in through an unlocked sliding glass door. The victim thought it perhaps relevant to note that two roommates had just moved out.

**10:10 p.m.** A man reported his wallet – black, with a green cannabis leaf on each side to advertise his enduring commitment to the herb – had been stolen out of his car in an I Street parking lot. The suspect was his fiancée, whom he said admitted the theft via a text message.

**10:19 p.m.** While the air on Valley West Boulevard was filled with howled obscenities...

**11 p.m.** ...the blasting booms of fireworks rose skyward from the Craftsman’s Mall...

**11:02 p.m.** ...and Mack Road fireworks initially inspired a report of shots fired.

• **Christmas 12:30 a.m.** As guests at a Valley West motel unloaded their truck, a blonde man drove up in a car, snatched several Christmas presents and drove off. Lost were a child’s bicycle, two helmets, a drill and glass set.

**1:14 p.m.** A blonde woman made off with a bottle of Bailey’s from a shoplifter-wracked Uniontown store, but – oops – left her backpack behind at the front door while making her escape.

**9:27 a.m.** Two off-leash dogs at the Marsh romped and disrupted delicate avian reproductive cycles.

**10:49 a.m.** A Good Samaritan with everyone else’s best interests at heart carried two Dollar Store bags and wore a backpack as he peered into windows and tried doorhandles in Creamery Alley. Confronted, he explained that he was just checking on children in the area.

**11:06 a.m.** An initial shove on Union Street gave way to a threat that the shover was going to “execute” the shovee.

**12:52 p.m.** A 29th Street resident said a neighbor cut down a tree on his property, then played loud music, offering distinct signs of hostile aggression.

• **Tuesday, December 26 11:31 a.m.** Two men were observed having sex out back of a Valley West cannabis clinic, after which they resumed camping amid strewn debris. One or both were arrested for indecent exposure.

**11:33 a.m.** The same business complained that RVs

parked out front sprayed litter about the area, their occupants constantly arguing.

**1:05 p.m.** A neighborhood dog isn’t accustomed to being leashed, and uses a Tina Court front yard to do its doggie business.

**1:27 p.m.** Campers at the Marsh spread out their outdoor gear beside the log pond, then cracked open the booze containers.

**4:11 p.m.** Afternoon drinkers at the transit center practiced their top-volume obscenity-yelling.

**7:01 p.m.** Slightly more versatile were the occupants of a vehicle parked behind a Valley West motel, who smoked dope, guzzled booze and blasted music.

**7:20 p.m.** A red-haired man with a camouflage backpack stole a broom, then tried to rip off someone’s laundry, fleeing when confronted.

• **Wednesday, December 27 1:50 a.m.** A bearded man spread his grungy property out across the transit center. He was asked to move along.

**3:06 a.m.** Eschewing the usual garbage, an RV resident on Valley West Boulevard instead surrounded his motor-home with broken glass.

**9:22 a.m.** Another garbage-strewer at the transit center warded off someone trying to clean up the area with confrontational hostility.

**10:12 a.m.** Someone driving under the pedestrian walkway took a small rock to the windshield.

**10:32 a.m.** Normally beset by campers and tatterdemalion interlopers, on this day a Valley West preschool had to put up with a wayward weirdling banging on an outside faucet. He turned out to have an outstanding warrant, and was cited.

**10:34 a.m.** Gaining entry through a kitchen window, burglars stole jewelry, money and a computer from an East 13th Street residence.

**11:16 a.m.** A transit center debris-strewer had been warned away, but was now back resuming his vision quest of scattering property around the area.

**12:49 p.m.** The person to whom a Valley West motel room had been rented wasn’t there, but a man, a woman and a whole lot of illegal drugs were. Someone was arrested.

**1:02 p.m.** Two men fought near the statue of William McKinley, Civil War hero. Someone was arrested.

**2:10 p.m.** Two men fought near the statue of William McKinley, genocidal racist. Someone was arrested.

**5:08 p.m.** Persons of unknown quantity and unspecified gender fought near the statue of William McKinley, undistinguished president of ambiguous morality. The combatants, who’d been fighting about a dog barking, separated.

**5:09 p.m.** Multiple men argued near the statue of William McKinley, bronze Rorschach blot for whatever cultural values one might hold dear. But their argument dissipated as quickly as facts and logic in an ideological dispute.

**6:09 p.m.** It’s not uncommon to see traveler-deposited backpacks, bags and other possessions parked on the Plaza. But the baseball bat wrapped in barbed wire was a fresh innovation.

## Explosive entrepreneur sentenced for hash blast, DUIs, eco-damage, littering

**MAD RIVER UNION**

**HUMBOLDT** – The Office of the District Attorney reported Dec. 27 that Judge Dale Reinholtsen had sentenced William Edwards Woods III, 34, from Eureka, to seven years for manufacturing concentrated cannabis using a volatile substance. The offense is a felony violation under California Health & Safety Code.

According to a press release, Woods will serve an additional eight months for unlawful marijuana cultivation resulting in violation of Fish and Game Code section 1602, which prohibits unlawful water diversion and obstructions of California’s streams.

In addition, the court sentenced Woods on three separate DUI cases from 2015 and 2016 to an additional 360 days in jail and five years of probation, along with a 30-month DUI program and registration as a habitual traffic offender.

On Jan. 25, 2017, the Humboldt Bay Fire Department, Humboldt County Drug Task Force (DTF), and Humboldt County Arson Task Force, investigated a butane hash oil (BHO) explosion at Woods’ residence at 3473 Middlefield Lane in Eureka.

There, investigators discovered a commercial-scale, closed-loop BHO system, which included a large butane tank, five BHO ovens, over 400 pounds of marijuana shake and 10.5 pounds of finished concentrated cannabis. Woods fled immediately after the explosion, leaving a witness who had been burned by the explosion to drive himself to the hospital.

On Aug. 3, HCSO deputies arrested Woods while serving a search warrant at an unlawful marijuana cultivation site in Burr Valley. Members of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife’s Watershed Enforcement Team discovered several violations of the Fish and Game Code at the cultivation site, including substantial water diversions, water pollution, and littering near a stream.

Deputy District Attorney Adrian Kamada, who prosecuted the cases, stated, “I appreciate the victim’s cooperation in the prosecution in Mr. Wood’s BHO case, and wish him continued success with his recovery. I also wish to recognize District Attorney Investigator Marvin Kirkpatrick, Humboldt Bay Fire Chief Chris Emmons, DTF Special Agent Tim Dias, and the Environmental Division of the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services for their work in dismantling and removing the dangerous BHO system from the residential neighborhood.”



William Edwards Woods III

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ACROSS

DOWN

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5. Jordanian

9. Reverie

14. Invisible emanation

15. Scorch

16. Spooky

17. In a \_\_\_\_; miffed

18. Antitoxins

19. Pack animal

20. State capital

23. Reclined

24. Refrain syllable

25. Item for a Yankee

28. Locks

32. Suppose to be a fact

34. Gives up

35. Word of warning

37. Region

38. \_\_\_\_ Major

39. Narrow boat

40. \_\_\_\_ Department; store section

41. Dye plant

42. Delete

43. Sun blocker

44. Like a foot and a yard

46. Insensitive

48. Distance driven ÷ amt. of gas used

49. Large container

51. Debtor's note

52. Place to buy rye

58. Church feature

61. Dryer fuzz

62. Noted African bishop

63. Member of an Eastern religion

64. Freeway division

65. Algerian seaport

66. Cursor mover

67. Fly high

68. Suffix for bald or bold

1. Be impudent

2. Moon: Sp.

3. Seed covering

4. Snitch

5. Analyzes ore

6. Use too much perfume

7. Swiss waterway

8. Brightly colored leaf

9. Burke and others

10. Depend

11. Period

12. Goal

13. \_\_\_\_ culpa

21. Maiden

22. Fuming

25. FBI, for one

26. Reparation

27. Kid

28. Edible root

29. Moving upward

30. Dutch export

31. \_\_\_\_ boom

33. Man for whom a large city is named

34. Misgiving

36. "...\_\_ creature was..."

39. Yellowish pink

43. Plum type

45. Fifth \_\_\_\_

47. Mama dog's pride

50. Farms

52. Old-fashioned root beer

53. "Adieu, Giuseppe!"

54. Santa \_\_\_\_; Mexican president of the 1800's

55. Word of assent

56. Greek letters

57. Sisters

58. Electrical resistance unit

59. Atlantic resort, for short

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OPINION

Remove the President McKinley statue, rebrand Arcata

I have been protesting the statue of President McKinley on the Arcata Plaza for a long time. Why? Three reasons:

1. McKinley was not all good or all bad. However, his policies led to, among other things, the deaths of between 200,000 and three million Filipinos, most of them civilians, many of them children. (Full disclosure: I have several Filipino family members, including three grand-daughters.) For whatever else he may have done right or wrong, this alone disqualifies him from being honored in Humboldt County, much less by the City of Arcata.

2. McKinley died several generations ago. Times have changed. Values have changed. The country has moved on. American culture has moved on. McKinley has long been irrelevant to most Arcatans. It is time for Arcata to move on and choose a symbol for the heart of the city that reflects the hearts of the people who live here now.

3. I feel that an unwillingness to change and a lack of imagination have caused missed opportunities for the City of Arcata to change for the better. Arcatans have complained for years that they are unhappy with how our city is viewed and experienced, both by local residents and visitors. We have heard complaints about a large homeless population on the Plaza. Complaints about a large male population on the Plaza. Complaints about the marijuana culture. Complaints about trash downtown. Complaints about graffiti on downtown buildings, etc.

Complaining is like armchair quarterbacking – cheap and easy but not very effective. If we want change, then we must embrace change. Arcata City Council, and anyone else who complains about the Plaza or any other aspect of Arcata, hear me now. You cannot have a friendlier (changed) Plaza or a cleaner, more vibrant city if you refuse to let any change take place.



GUEST OPINION Fhyre Phoenix

The McKinley statue is an effective dead zone. Many people don't know who it is and many who do know, do not like it. No-one is allowed to touch it or interact with it. It is not colorful, it is not a thing of particular beauty, nor does it make a pleasant sound, nor make children laugh. I think we can do better.

The statue is not popular. I have spent at least one hour per day for 17 days during the month of December, standing across the street from the Plaza, holding a sign that requested that the statue be removed. On average, there were about fifteen positive responses for each negative one.

Taking down the McKinley statue gives the City of Arcata a chance to re-brand itself, to set into motion a series of events and changes that transforms the culture, the vibe and future business opportunities in Arcata.

What can we have at the center of the Plaza instead of McKinley? Ideas abound. 1. Nothing at all – just open walking space. 2. A replica of the gazebo that used to be there, before the statue. 3. A labyrinth, inlaid into the walking surface. 4. A water fountain. 5. Built-in tables and chairs for playing chess. 6. A redwood tree. 7. A kinetic sculpture. 8. A playground for young children. Again, ideas abound.

How do we re-brand Arcata? Here is one idea. What if Arcata decided to honor women in a big way? How about installing statues of two women on each corner, statues of real women with stellar accomplishments, from the U.S. and around the world?

There are so many to choose from and they are so poorly represented throughout the U.S. New York City has only five statues of women. Arcata, with eight, may end up as the city with the highest concentration of statues honoring women.

How would this affect the self-esteem of all the girls and women in Arcata? How might this affect tourism?

What great programs might spring from this focus? What new small business opportunities might this give rise to? Might more girls and women aspire to leadership roles? How might increased tourism by women and more women's leadership affect local social policies, especially with regard to the homeless and others who need a hand up?

As I have a personal interest in the topic of honoring women, I offer my services to raise all the funds needed to make a complete make-over on the Plaza. Therefore, there will be no city budget or taxpayer impact.

It makes little sense to stay tethered to a distant, barely relevant past. History will neither be erased nor changed by taking the McKinley statue down. But taking down the statue will provide an opportunity to clarify and express our collective vision for the future. Let's move forward.

Fhyre Phoenix was a one-time candidate for Arcata City Council and a resident of Arcata for 20 years before recently moving to McKinleyville.



Let's share our thoughts and our ideas and make this a better world

**In defense of McKinley**  
The anti-William McKinley crowd should have done better research before branding him a racist and imperialist. Yes, he was a Republican, but a *Lincoln* Republican.

McKinley was the last American president to have fought in the Civil War. He worked his way from the bottom ranks to become a major in the Union Army.

Following that bloody war, McKinley spent 11 years as a law student and practicing attorney before running successfully for U.S.Congress, where he was the resident expert on protective tariffs.

Gerrymandered out of office, he ran for governor of Ohio the following year and won. Considered a moderate, McKinley ran for president in 1896 against William Jennings Bryan and won.

At the time, America was in a deep recession. McKinley's economic policies made the U.S. prosperous again.

William McKinley was the first presidential candidate to speak in front of a black church audience, in March of 1895.

After negotiating unsuccessfully with Spain to grant Cuba independence so that Cubans would no longer live in virtual slavery, McKinley declared war on Spain and won Cuba's eventual independence.

To protect U.S. interests from Great Britain we took possession of Puerto Rico and various other islands, including island chains in the Pacific, such as Guam and the Philippines,

The Hawaiian islands were accepted as U.S. territory as a sort of gift from the new government of Hawaii, which had successfully rebelled against the Hawaiian Monarch prior to McKinley taking office.

Had the U.S. turned down the gift it would have ended up in the hands of either the British or Japanese government, and those islands would eventually have been used as platforms to launch an assault against the U.S.

Incidentally, the chief "diplomat" who sent in Naval forces to prevent the loss of American lives and property was acting on his own, not on orders from Washington, which is why he was summoned home following the Hawaiian rebellion. Fortunately, not one life was lost on either side during the rebellion.

In McKinley's inaugural speech, he called for "an avoidance of the temptation of territorial aggression." He was *not* an imperialist!

But neither was he a friend to the Indian. He presided over the dismantling of the so-called five civilized tribes. While he did pardon Indians who participated in one of the last Indian uprisings, if they were "in the way of progress" they would be jostled aside, treaty or no.

After six months into his second term,

LETTERS

McKinley was shot by an anarchist. If Arcata does not want his statue give it to McKinleyville.

William Quinn McKinleyville

Sorry, Mr, Thief

I am so sorry. Had I known you needed those envelopes, I would not have addressed them to family and friends. Now the cards are no good to you. I had planned to personalize them while waiting for my great-grand. Well, maybe they are.

The birth of Jesus was the message on them, the reason for the season. I am so sorry the pen, given to me, has been used for several months. Had I known you needed one, I would have given you a new one. And I am so sorry for that constant ringing. We went from room to room, checked the pantry, microwave, trash, oven, fridge, garage, thinking I may have been having a senior moment,

I understand why you had to turn it off. Guess I had gotten to the car with it after all. Had to run into the P.O. to return mail crates which were given to me with books for the Lions Club Book Sale. So sorry I left temptation in your sight.

I can't seem to get used to having to lock up every time you turn your back.

You know, there is a certain pride in working and earning the money to buy the things you need. Kmart Papa Murphy's. McDonald's and Burger King are all hiring. Numerous help wanted signs around Eureka. Why not try it? You might not be so lucky sometime and have to pay a visit to the Humboldt Hilton.

Or, maybe that free Room and Board is what you want. I am so sorry I had to have the phone turned off. I really can't afford to pay for you and me. And "Me" won out. Happy New Year.

Bertha Herd Trinidad

Healthcare concerns

(The following letter was sent to Assemblymember Jim Wood. – Ed.)

In your several public declarations, you have repeatedly claimed you are determined to usher into our state a single-payer, universal healthcare system.

I surely wish, as does our group, Healthcare For All-Humboldt, to have confidence in this proposal. However, we have concerns.

In brief, you have accepted sizeable donations from corporate interests. Although those donations are not recent, they inspire suspicion and mistrust from those of us

who have only votes with which to combat this influence. We know how politics so often operates. Our overriding concern is that such influence may be expressed ultimately in a sort of cobbled together healthcare system that includes a profit motive to satisfy those who would enrich themselves thereby.

We know without a shadow of a doubt that any profiteering in healthcare will doom a single-payer system to failure as it has for the few attempts by other states. ANY involvement by corporate interests must be strictly controlled by the state, as they are in other industrialized democracies that provide effective, affordable, universal healthcare. We wonder how committed you are to avoiding this all-too-often occurrence.

Another concern is your claim of necessity for lengthy study. We have no objection to a thorough-going process. However, SB 562 has been jailed for over six months. There have been *three* days of input from the Select Committee, which has no power to enact any resolution or law.

We understand Rome was not built in a day, but at least one must suspect the Romans were working every day until it was.

We understand it cannot be done at once but we want to see real progress. I listened to seven hours of testimony from this last committee event and heard very little of a nuts and bolts contribution to actually constructing a single-payer system.

Compared to what is set out in SB 562, which at least presents an actual proposed structure of how it might be built, (a proposal deserving augmentation, amendment, discussion, etc.) that would result in the actual implementation of such a system, these discussions, so far, have *not* been impressive! Neither, by the way, have we heard from anyone about the validity of the Pollin Report that effectively fills that obvious gap of funding in the bill.

We also are concerned that the result of these discussions might terminate in an "incremental" approach to providing healthcare. This idea, again, is doomed to failure as so many stop-gap programs have illustrated, being attempts to cobble together a half-baked solution to our national healthcare crisis. We do *not* want to see this repeated in any way in California!

These are some of the issues which bedevil our wish to believe and trust in your insistence on getting to the finish line. You could do a lot to allay our fears by addressing them in a very public manner. Maybe SB 562 will never see the light of day. If a viable, single-payer, universal system, free of encumbrance by corporate interests, emerged from the ashes, we would be delighted. But if any of the alternatives are presented in its place, I cannot begin to convey to you our disappointment at such confirmation of our worst fears about you

and about the fate of our great state.

Sincerely yours, **Patty Harvey** Director, Healthcare For All-Humboldt

The Party of Greed

President Trump and the GOP have touted the recently passed Tax Cut and Jobs Act as a big boost for the middle class. Well, while U.S. taxpayers will see an average tax savings of \$2,000, a true middle class taxpayer might see a savings in the \$1,000 range with lower income earners seeing far less.

On the other hand, people making millions will fare far better saving many thousands or even more. It is estimated that the president's son-in-law Jared Kushner should save at least \$5 million annually while Trump himself saving double that.

And as if these annual savings weren't enough, another change has doubled the estate tax exclusion which means that Trump and four of his cabinet members are also in line to save an additional \$4.5 million each in estate taxes when they leave this earth. Certainly these savings dwarf those predicted for the middle class.

Given how much this act bestows on the wealthy taxpayer who really doesn't need it, I would say the GOP has now earned itself a new name, the POG or Party Of Greed.

**Sherman Schapiro** Blue Lake

Thank you from family

The family of Erin Henry would like to relay our thanks to all who assisted in the search for Erin.

To the Arcata Police Department and all assisting law enforcement agencies, the faculty and students of HSU, local media, The Lost Coast Trackers, the people of Arcata, Eureka and all surrounding communities who mobilized and helped search for our precious Erin, we would like to express our deepest gratitude.

Although Erin was found deceased, she was at least found. This was as a result of the information shared by thousands in Humboldt County. Thank you to the Caltrans employee who diligently reported finding a knee scooter, after being made aware of Erin's disappearance and description.

We would also like to encourage others suffering from depression, or related ailments, to seek help. Please help to eliminate any stigma associated with needing medication or treatment in order to function as a happy, healthy human being.

You can reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1(800) 273-8255.

A very deep, heartfelt THANK YOU!

From the family of **Erin Henry** Wyoming

Lighthouse | Temporary fix?

❖ FROM A1

foot by 14 foot concrete foundation about 22 feet east of the lighthouse. Last week, as protesters stood atop the lighthouse, workers cut through the lighthouse’s foundation with cement saws, freeing the structure from its moorings.

The lighthouse, built in 1949, is a replica of the real lighthouse that still operates on Trinidad Head. The Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse also serves as a memorial, with names engraved on it and on nearby walls, of locals who have died or were lost at sea.

The move is being done under an emergency permit issued by the City of Trinidad after the bluff the lighthouse sits on began slumping. Last year engineers hired by the Trinidad Civic Club, warned the volunteer organization that if the lighthouse is not moved, it could topple down the bluff when the area is saturated from winter rains.

The cost of moving the lighthouse is pegged at about \$45,000, but that doesn’t include the costs of some of the repairs that will be needed after the move is complete.

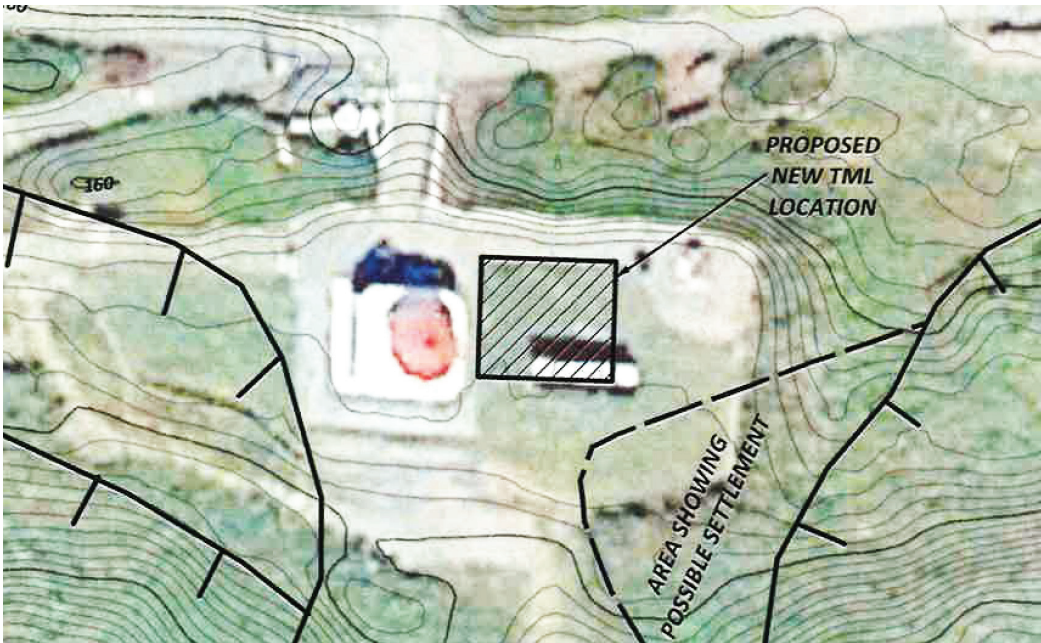
In the coming month or two, the Trinidad Civic Club will have to apply for a full-blown coastal development permit for the project. This will open up a new round of public hearings.

According to an engineering report commissioned by the club, the new location for the lighthouse should be considered temporary, as the site would not be deemed geologically “stable” by the California Coastal Commission, which will be considering the coastal development permit for the project.

If the commission agrees to permit the project, there would most likely be some sort of agreement that the lighthouse would be removed from the site if the structure is threatened by further erosion.

**The protests**

On Thursday, Dec. 28,



**NEW LOCATION** This graphic from the emergency permit application shows the new location where the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse will be moved.

about 20 protesters showed up, with some holding signs on Edwards Street while a small handful of protesters climbed atop the lighthouse.

“They’re up there because they are trying to protect the village,” said Sarah Lindgren-Akana, referring to the Tsurai village, a burial ground located below the bluff on which the lighthouse sits.

Lindgren, secretary for the Tsurai Ancestral Society, said the lighthouse adds to the erosion problem on the bluff and should be moved elsewhere.

“I think the lighthouse should be saved, but in a different location,” Lindgren said.

The Tsurai site was one of the largest Yurok villages before the start of the California Gold Rush. “For Yuroks, the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse is a monument to this tragic era. We feel like it is no different than the statues created to honor Confederate soldiers in the South,” said Frankie Myers, the Yurok Tribal Heritage preservation officer, in a press release (see page A3) issued last month stating the tribe’s opposition of the project. “What we’re asking is for the city

and Civic Club to give the same respect to our ancestors as they give to the families of the 238 people who were buried at sea.”

Others protesting the lighthouse held up signs stating “Native rights,” “Attack one village is an attack on all,” “Relocate the lighthouse” and “Remove from Tsurai.” A banner hung on the lighthouse included the hashtag #allgravesmatter.

Since Thursday’s protest, the anti-lighthouse movement appears to have gained momentum, with more protesters turning out and occupying the lighthouse. Protesters have been camping out overnight at the site and holding evening vigils.

Fleschner said she would like to protect both the village and the lighthouse, and said that both goals can be accomplished. Engineers, she said, have said that the move will put the lighthouse on more stable ground and prevent from tumbling down into the village.

State of McK meeting set for Jan. 17

**McKINLEYVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**McKINLEYVILLE** – On Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 8:30 a.m. the McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce will hold its State of McKinleyville forum at the Holiday Inn Express, 3107 Concorde Dr. in McKinleyville.

Confirmed panelists include Fifth District Supervisor Ryan Sundberg, Humboldt County Sheriff Lt. Kevin Miller, Arcata Fire Chief Justin McDonald, McKinleyville Community Services District General Manager Greg Orsini, Humboldt County Planning & Building Director John Ford and McKinleyville Neighborhood & Business Watch coordinator Christine Willfong.

The panel will focus on issues that impact local businesses and the community. Topics that the panel may touch on:

- How Measure Z funds are being put to use in McKinleyville.
- Recent and planned improvements to McKinleyville.
- Clarification on the cannabis industry and zoning regulations for McKinleyville.
- Steps that have been taken to help curb the homeless/drug issues in McKinleyville.
- How theft is affecting local businesses and possible solutions.

Mack Town has become one of the fastest growing communities in Humboldt County. It is important that we do our best to protect our businesses and community members. One way to do that would be to join the McKinleyville Business watch program. Willfong will have informational handouts on the benefits and how to join.

To register for the State of McKinleyville event, contact the McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce at (707) 839-2449 or email [contact@mckinleyvillechamber.com](mailto:contact@mckinleyvillechamber.com). Coffee and morning pastries will be served.

**BOWL OF BEANS** The 18th Annual Bowl of Beans Benefit will be held on Monday, Jan. 15 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway. This event honors Dr. King and his good work while benefiting our local youth. Enjoy a dinner of rice and beans from 5 to 6:30 p.m., then performances by Storyteller Baba Jamal Koram, Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir & Youth Choir, Asha Nan and more. Admission is \$6 at the door. For information, contact the Arcata Recreation Division at (707) 822-7091.

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## A BIRD IN THE HAND...

**THE SECRET LIVES OF PLOVERS** Join the Redwood Region Audubon Society on Friday, Jan. 12 for a program titled "The Secret Lives of Plovers: Tales from Madagascar and Beyond" presented by Dr. Luke Eberhart-Phillips, postdoctoral researcher at the Max Planck Institute for Ornithology in Seewiesen, Germany. Dr. Eberhart-Phillips, shown here holding a Kittlitz Plover, will take us on a journey into the baobab wetlands of southwestern Madagascar, where he studied the alternative reproductive strategies of three plover species. He will relate these findings to his work on our local snowy plovers. He will also address the practical benefits of understanding breeding behavior in the context of wildlife conservation and management. The program starts at 7:30 p.m. at Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd., Arcata. Bring a mug for shade-grown coffee and come fragrance-free.

PHOTO BY LUKE EBERHART-PHILLIPS

## Brewery beard contest to benefit teen center

### SIX RIVERS BREWERY

MCKINLEYVILLE – When McKinleyville Parks and Recreation Coordinator Jens Andersen first saw the documentary *Growin' A Beard* while on a trip a few years ago, he was inspired. Set in the small town of Shamrock, Texas, all men are required to grow a Donegal-style beard by their annual St. Patrick's Day Festival and on that day judges choose a winner based on a set of criteria. Those who do not have a beard must have a "shave pass."

He came home thinking, "that would make a really great fundraiser." Recalling that Six Rivers Brewery celebrates their anniversary on St. Patrick's Day, he reached out to co-owner Talia Nachshon and the seed was planted. "This is something Jens and I have wanted to do for years and we're so excited to finally make it happen. Supporting the Teen Center is really important to us!"

Co-owner Meredith Maier agreed, "We all know that beards and beer go together. And if we can do something to help raise money for our community, it's a win-win." Thus, Brew Your Beard was born.

While the finale of this competition will no doubt be a hilarious good time, the real heart of the contest is raising money to help furnish a recording studio at the McKinleyville Teen Center. They have the space, they just need to fill it with equipment.

Jesse Summerson, McKinleyville Teen Center Unit Director, says both he and the teens are eagerly awaiting the completion of the recording studio. So much so, in fact, he already meets weekly with a group of teens to discuss their lyrical compositions in the future home of the studio space. Having spent years working with teens, he remarks that music is a real unifier. "When you can get two kids working on a piece of music together, all of their differences seem to fade away."

BEARD ♦ B2

**CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING** Cub Scout Pack 95 will be picking up Christmas trees in the Arcata/McKinleyville area on Saturday, Jan. 6 and hauling them to greenwaste for recycling. Folks interested in having scouts pick up their tree should call or text (707) 440-9272 or email [arcatacubscouts@gmail.com](mailto:arcatacubscouts@gmail.com). You should leave your name, address, phone number and your preferred pick up date.

Note that this number can receive text messages for those that prefer this over leaving a voicemail. The scouts request that folks leave a donation for the tree pick-up services but it is not required – folks that wish to donate can leave any amount they wish. Typical donations are in the \$5-\$20 range but again its totally up to the individual if and how much they wish to donate. The activity is primarily to provide a community service, but any provided donations will be used to help fund scouting activities such as camping trips and day outings, pack activities such as bowling, swimming, roller skating climbing wall, etc. SUBMITTED PHOTO



## AT YOUR

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**WITH YOU THE FORCE BE** Tyler Hunt performed music for *Star Wars: The Last Jedi*. Hunt, left, grew up in Arcata. Right, Hunt with famed composer John Williams.

PHOTOS COURTESY TYLER HUNT

## A LOCAL STAR SHINES IN 'STAR WARS: THE LAST JEDI'

### Janine Volkmar

#### MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Whether you are a serious Star Wars fan or just loved the first movie, it's hard to forget that bar scene with the assorted monsters, glowing drinks and mesmerizing music played by some seriously strange musicians. "Cantina," the music composed for that scene by John Williams, has been covered by symphony orchestras, jazz bands and solo artists around the world since the film debuted in 1977.

Now a musician who attended Arcata High School and graduated from Humboldt State University has been tapped to contribute his unique musical stylings to the latest Star Wars epic, *The Last Jedi* (2017).

Tyler Hunt plays the steelpan in the track, "Canto Bight" and John Williams loved his performance. Williams was quoted in an article in *Pan Magazine*, written by Ted Goslin. "I am delighted to be able to congratulate and thank this outstanding performer," Williams said. "It was a surprise and a complete delight to have crossed paths with Tyler Hunt and be able to appreciate his outstanding artistry."

Hunt's artistry has been developing for years, according to his professor at Humboldt, Dr. Eugene Novotney. "Some people you know are going to succeed, not only by their talent and artistry, but also because who they are as people," Novotney said. "I'm happy to see him succeed, but I always knew he would."

Hunt graduated from Humboldt in 2011 with a music degree in percussion performance. He went on to earn a Master's in Music in percussion at California State University, Long Beach.

"In addition to being an outstanding steelpan player, Tyler is an outstanding classical musician," Novotney added.

Hunt plays all types of percussion

instruments and the piano as well. He performed with the Eureka Symphony as well as with many bands and ensembles at Humboldt.

Now based in Long Beach, Hunt is in his own description, "a full-time freelance musician and educator."

He teaches at "a variety of schools, performs in a variety of bands, and works as a recording engineer."

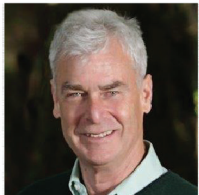
His most recent gig is playing in the Feliz Navidad parade at Disneyland, which is launched six times a day for around two months, "but I don't play in every parade," he said.

How did it happen that he got involved with *The Last Jedi*?

"I've watched all the movies and enjoyed the bar scene in the first one but I didn't realize it had steelpan in it," he said. Hunt hadn't started playing the pans at that time. He started steelpan "in the Humboldt State Calypso Band," according to Novotney.

"I've actually played the piece in a

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## There’ a FUN Committee in BL

Welcome 2018! I’m not sure about you, but I have great hopes for all that Blue Lake has to offer this year!

### Paint, find rocks

Let’s start the year out right with something positive, fun, and perfect for the whole family. The Blue Lake FUN Committee, an informal group of Blue Lakers who want to create more activities within the city, is hosting a Rock Painting Day, followed by a great Rock Hide within the City of Blue Lake.

Come to the Mad River Grange, located at 110 Hatchery Rd., on Saturday, Jan. 6 at 3 p.m. to paint rocks. Bring your own rocks, or use a few that will be available.

All paint supplies and even some inspiration will be provided. Then, on Sunday, Jan. 7, all day, hide and find the rocks!

A special Facebook page has been set up @ [bluelakerocks95525](#) for participants to post their clues or to comment on the rocks they find.

Watch out Stoned in Humboldt, Blue Lake wants a special piece of the action too!

### People gather

School starts up again on Monday, Jan. 8. This also seems to be the time when other groups get back to their normal schedule, with the Blue Lake Fire District meeting on Monday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Blue Lake Public Safety Commission meets on Monday, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. (plus there is an opening on this commission for a Blue Lake resident!).

Blue Lake City Council meets on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. and the Mad River Grange meets on Wednesday, Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. (Pot Luck at 6 p.m.).

### Be connected and informed

It’s my hope that by letting everyone know when there are other meetings going on, the community can be more engaged and better informed. An involved community is a healthy community.

Happy New Year, and may 2018 bring you joy and happiness.



❖ BLUE LAKE NOTES  
April Sousa

## Baskets on display in the seaside village’s museum

Working Baskets is on view at Trinidad Museum. Curated by Jill Mefford, the exhibit shows essential utilitarian baskets central to Northwest Coast Indian life.

Jill wrote that "baskets are perishable; baskets used in daily life were hard-worked and short-lived. These fragile, functional tools are a valued part of the Trinidad Museum collection and the story they tell. The range of highly specialized baskets in use, requiring a wide variety of plant materials collected and traded over considerable distances, attests to a long tradition of experimentation and refinement. The exhibit presents the domestic baskets used for gathering,



❖ TRINIDAD TIDINGS  
Patti Fleschner

storage, food preparation, especially acorn processing, cooking and eating. The examples show burn marks, repairs and reinforcements."

Jill prepared the exhibit with assistance from Kateri Masten, Alexandra Cox, Ron Johnson, and Bill Snell.

Trinidad Museum, 400 Janis Ct., is open Thursday through Sunday from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Special school or group tours can be arranged by calling (707) 677-3816.

### ‘Hopes and Dreams of Big Lagoon School’

Jennifer Glueck, Superintendent-Principal of Big Lagoon School, will be guest speaker at the Thursday, Jan. 4, 2018 Trinidad Civic Club meeting.

Dana Hope will preside at the busi-

ness meeting starting at 10 a.m. and program chairman Penne O’Gara will introduce the speaker at about 11 a.m. Hostesses for the morning are Janine Volkmar, Joan Baker and Lena Macy. Members and guests welcome to attend.

### ‘Music’s Magic’ at Inner Center Fine Arts Institute Salon

Inner Center Fine Arts Institute, Inc. co-founder Donna Haddock will begin the new year with a Ladies Salon called "Music’s Magic" on Friday, Jan. 5 at 10 a.m.

Participants are encouraged to bring a favorite piece of music to share. Call (707) 496-5350 for information, Salon location, and reservations. A \$10 donation is suggested. Light refreshments will be served.

Email Patti at [baycity@sonic.net](mailto:baycity@sonic.net).

## Fall season inspires new exhibit in Westhaven

### WESTHAVEN CENTER FOR THE ARTS

WESTHAVEN – “Autumn Solitude,” paintings and photographs by Marceau Verdiere, is the January-February show at Westhaven Center for the Arts. There will be an opening reception on Sunday, Jan. 7, from 1 to 4 P.M..

A native of France, Verdiere is an instructor at the Northcoast Preparatory Arts Academy. He works in oil on a variety of surfaces to create abstract paintings based on nature.

In describing his work, Verdiere states “These paintings were created during the fall, a season that I cherish more than any other. The transition between summer and winter is a time during which I feel most alive as I see nature explode in changing colors and lights. As Camus once wrote: ‘Autumn is a second spring in which every leaf becomes a flower.’ However, it is also a time of anticipation of the coming winter, a time in which our colors inevitably surrender to the grey I so dread. It is a juggling of melancholia and euphoria.”

“The basis of my work is simply life, from which I attempt to abstract all layers of time past and future, aiming to lay bare the present moment,” Verdiere said. “Current-

ly, I am consumed with the study of different philosophical aesthetic principles, focusing primarily on the Japanese concepts making up what is known as Wabi-Sabi. These concepts speak to me in a most profound way. The appreciation of the simple, lopsided, weathered and worn, opens a sense of deep compassion that I strive to connect with while painting.”

“I create my paintings by applying then removing paint in all sorts of manners, putting the surface through a myriad of abuses in the process, allowing for remaining traces of paint to create the images I end up with. The result could be described as austere and simple but closer looks should reveal the complexity of the creation,”Verdiere said.

This exhibit is the second part of two musings about the Fall season. The first part is titled “Autumn Reveries” and is on display at Umpqua Upstairs gallery in Arcata until Feb 6. You can see more of his work at [marceauverdiere.com](http://marceauverdiere.com).

Westhaven Center for the Arts is located at 501 South Westhaven Drive. The gallery is open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Visit center on Facebook and at [westhavencentral.org](http://westhavencentral.org).

**GO DANCING** The Humboldt Folk Dancers invite the public to a live music, World Dance Party, Friday, Jan. 5 from 8 to 11 p.m. at the Redwood Raks World Dance Studio, 824 L St., in the Creamery District in Arcata. The event features easy dances and an evening of world music with international bands. All ages and dance levels are welcome.

**CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL** The Humboldt Waste Management Authority will be accepting Christmas trees for drop off at no charge at its facility at 1059 West Hawthorne St, in Eureka through Jan. 15. Trees can be placed in the large blue bin across from the transfer station scale house. For information call (707) 268-8680.

**STORY TELLING AT LIBRARY** Storyteller Baba Jamal Koram returns to Humboldt County and presents a special performance at the Eureka Library on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. This extraordinary Story Man tells amazing tales from Africa and the African American tradition, as well as many original stories taken from his life. With his commanding voice and rhythmic drumming, Baba Jamal takes his audience to faraway times and places, and brings everyone back home. Koram has been a featured storyteller at the National Storytelling Festival, the Smithsonian and Kennedy Center, and has received the Circle of Excellence Oracle Award from the National Storytelling Network and the Zora Neale Hurston Award from the National Association of Black Storytelling. The library’s programs and services are free, and accessible to persons with disabilities. The Humboldt County Library is located at 1313 Third St. in Eureka and at [humlib.org](http://humlib.org). For further information or to ask for accessibility assistance, call (707) 269-1910. This event is sponsored by First 5 Humboldt.

## Blue Lake School receives \$73,500 from casino

### BLUE LAKE RANCHERIA

BLUE LAKE – Blue Lake Rancheria and Blue Lake Casino & Hotel surprised Blue Lake School recently with a \$73,500 donation at an awards assembly.

The funds will ensure the school can continue the after-school music program, art classes, fieldtrips, the GATE program and buy new playground equipment. Coupled with the \$180,000 donation in January 2017,

the tribe has donated more \$250,000 to the school in 2017 alone.

The tribe has made a commitment to support education in a variety of ways. One highlight is the eighth grade scholarship program – each student who graduates eighth grade from Blue Lake School receives a \$500 certificate that they can redeem upon successful graduation from high school.

Over the years, the tribe has also

donated funding and program design to California State University system and Humboldt State University to increase Native American enrollment in higher education across the state.

The tribe also underwrites multiple honorary scholarships named after local Blue Lake School educators and partners with a number of local government and non-government organizations that are dedicated to fostering excellence in education.

## \$50K donated so poor kids can have toys

### BLUE LAKE CASINO

BLUE LAKE – Blue Lake Casino & Hotel’s 9th Annual Holiday Gift Drive, in partnership with Toys for Tots, has raised over \$50,000 this year.

The drive started on Nov. 1st and was held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Dec. 22.

More than 5,000 casino guests donated \$10 and received \$20 in Blue Bucks (free slot play) in return. Together the community has raised more than \$1 million in the

nine years the Holiday Gift Drive has been running.

This year, Toys for Tots has been able to provide gifts for 8,000 families in Mendocino, Humboldt, and Trinity counties, including many families affected by the fires. In addition to toys, each family received a soccer ball and got to choose from stuffed animals, fishing poles, books, craft kits, or a family game or puzzle. To make or request a donation for a child or family in need, contact Toys for Tots at (707) 443-4880 or visit [eureka-ca.toysfortots.org](http://eureka-ca.toysfortots.org).

## Beard | Money to go to McK music room

### ❖ FROM B1

The McKinleyville Teen Center is a partnership between McKinleyville Community Services District and the Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods.

It currently serves close to 300 local youth ages 11 to 18.

Once open, the recording studio will be available for use by additional Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods Teen Centers in Eureka and Klamath, benefitting hundreds and hundreds more local children. Brew Your Beard - Growing for a Good Cause sign ups started on New Year’s Day and will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. on through today,

Jan. 3 at Six Rivers Brewery. Contestants should arrive clean shaven with their registration fee of \$25. A Beard Pageant will be held on St. Patrick’s Day, March 17 at the brewery’s 14th Anniversary Party. Prizes will be awarded in multiple categories.

For those not able to physically participate but who want to get in on the fun, “tickets” are available for purchase online at [brewyourbeard.brownpapertickets.com/](http://brewyourbeard.brownpapertickets.com/). If individuals or businesses would like to donate funds or equipment to the recording studio at the McKinleyville Teen Center, contact Jesse Summerson at (707) 840-0304.

## Hunt | ‘An incredible experience’

### ❖ FROM B1

steel band setting,” Hunt said.

Hunt was recommended to Williams by percussionist Greg Goodall. He had a meeting with Williams and was chosen. The Academy Award winning composer was writing a new work but one that paid homage to the earlier “Cantina.”

Hunt talked about the recording of the soundtrack. “It was an incredible experience, kind of surreal to see the orchestra playing and Williams conducting. I got to talk to him one on one. He was extremely nice, very friendly and very positive. It was just a delightful experience,” he said.

“Of course, it was terrifying,” he added.

This was Hunt’s first film experience but he hopes it will not be his last.

Here’s a young man who is performing, teaching and composing his own music.

Wait and see how the stars will shine for him. Hunt has a website “under construction” which should be completed in a few months.

Watch for [tylerhuntpercussion](#) on social media and see what else he gets up to! And if you haven’t seen *Star Wars: The Last Jedi* yet, here’s your chance to give an extra careful listen for one of our own stars in the “Canto Bight” scene.

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# Arcata meeting on proposed towers

**REDWOOD NATIONAL & STATE PARKS**

RNSP – The National Park Service is assisting the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) to notify the public about a state proposal to construct and operate emergency telecommunication facilities in Del Norte and Humboldt counties.

Meetings will be held next week in Arcata and Klamath to explain the project and receive public input. (See meeting times and location below.)

The state is accepting comments until Jan. 29 on a draft environmental impact report (DEIR) for the relocation of the Red Mountain communication site in Six Rivers National Forest. The NPS is seeking comments on the proposals in the DEIR that would affect lands and resources in Redwood National Park.

The Red Mountain tower is located in Del Norte County in an area of cultural significance to Yurok and Tolowa peoples.

The tower and associated facilities are authorized under a special-use permit issued by the U.S. Forest Service to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. State-owned facilities must be removed from Red Mountain when the permit expires on Dec. 31, 2022.

The Red Mountain tower is used by Del Norte and Humboldt counties, California Highway Patrol, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, California Department of Transportation, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Forest Service and the NPS to communicate information about emergency response requirements, emergency alerts, fire hazards and other natural and man-made hazards that could threaten lives and property in the region.

A combination of several sites is needed to provide a level of radio service equivalent to Red Mountain coverage. Five sites are evaluated in the DEIR. Rattlesnake Peak and Alder Camp are in Del Norte County. In Humboldt County, two Green Diamond Resource Company sites in the Big Lagoon area, a site near Orick, and Rodgers Peak in Redwood National Park are being considered.

The state is proposing a combination of three sites: Rodgers Peak in the national park, Rattlesnake Peak, and Alder Camp.

The DEIR is available for review on the California Department of General Services website at [dgs.ca.gov/resd/Programs/EnvironmentalServicesSection/CaliforniaEnvironmentalQualityAct.aspx](https://dgs.ca.gov/resd/Programs/EnvironmentalServicesSection/CaliforniaEnvironmentalQualityAct.aspx).

The state will hold two public meetings to present the proposed project and accept comments on the DEIR. The meetings will be an open house style with stations set up for attendees to obtain information about the project and discuss concerns with project staff.

A meeting will be held in Arcata on Wednesday, Jan. 10 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway in the Arts and Crafts Room.

A meeting will be held in Klamath on Thursday, Jan. 11 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Klamath Community Center, 219 Salmon Rd., Klamath.

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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GEORGE JOSEPH HITT**  
CASE NO.: PR170350  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: GEORGE JOSEPH HITT, AKA GEORGE J. HITT.  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: JAMES HITT in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: JAMES HITT be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:  
Date: FEB. 1, 2018  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 6  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for the petitioner: J. BRYCE KENNY  
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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BERNARD MCMAHAN**  
CASE NO.: PR170358  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: BERNARD MCMAHAN.  
Petition for Probate has been filed by: RASMIEY CHUM in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: RASMIEY CHUM be appointed as personal representative to administer the

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CAROLYN L. LEGENDRE**  
CASE NO.: PR170353  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: CAROLYN L. LEGENDRE.  
Petition for Probate has been filed by: JEANNETTE SHINN in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: JEANNETTE SHINN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:  
Date: JAN 25, 2018  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 4  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
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You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for the petitioner: JOSHUA R. KAUFMAN

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CAROLYN L. LEGENDRE**  
CASE NO.: PR170353  
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Petition for Probate has been filed by: JEANNETTE SHINN in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: JEANNETTE SHINN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:  
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Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 4  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
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Case Name: VALERIE BROOKE Case No.: JV170046  
1. To Tabetha Brooke, David Bulwinkle, Nicholas Cretsinger and anyone claiming to be a parent of Valerie Brooke born on 2/27/2017 at Mad River Hospital, Arcata, CA.  
2. A hearing will be held on March 14, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.  
3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommenda-

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The Public Hearing will be held on January 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Skinner Store, 111 Greenwood Rd. Blue Lake, CA (behind City Hall).  
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# OBITUARY

## Mayer Segal, 1917 - 2017

Mayer Segal died peacefully on Dec. 14, 2017. His journey began in the small town of Elbow Lake, Minnesota in 1917 and ended in Bay-side, California, over one hundred years later.

In his youth in Los Angeles, he formed friendships that would continue for more than 80 years. After graduating from UCLA, his real education began. Mayer did social work with the Dust Bowl immigrants, saw good friends sent to Japanese relocation camps, worked in the shipyards in the Bay Area, and became active in the Machinists Union.

Each step along the way opened his eyes to issues of social justice that he would care about for the rest of his life. He took his children to peace marches in San Francisco and United Farm Worker gatherings in Delano.

When Mayer and his wife Betty arrived in Humboldt in 1994, he added a new level of awareness for the environment to his other concerns. Mayer wasn't all seriousness though. While in the Bay Area, he was known to single-handedly escort six or seven



**MAYER SEGAL at the river.**  
SUBMITTED PHOTO

young grandchildren to the zoo or a fair.

He always loved to have family and friends around the table for meals and lively conversations. He thoroughly enjoyed the many events in Humboldt, from the Pride Parade to the Kinetic Sculpture Race to the opportunities for education and entertainment at HSU.

He enjoyed the fellowship and social actions of the Unitarians and contributed to the newsletter and voter guides of the HOPE Coalition. And he wrote poems for special occasions!

Each of his five children, their partners, and nine grandchildren has their treasured collection of personalized birthday cards.



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He often said that one of his greatest joys was that his children and grandchildren all got along with each other, not all that surprising with the example he had set.

When he was younger, he hoped that he might see the year 2000, then to celebrate his fiftieth anniversary, then his 90th birthday and his 95th birthday. He celebrated his 100th birthday last summer. He had a long and full life.

His legacy of compassion and activism lives on in his children and his grandchildren. No services are planned at this time as so many friends were able to honor him in person on his last birthday.

If you are so moved, contributions to organizations that promote social justice or environmental conservation would be fitting tributes.

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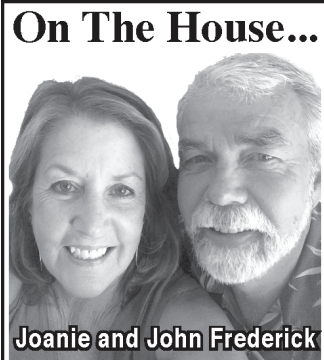
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## LEGAL NOTICES

# Ring in the new year with Freckles, Sadie

Happy New Year! I hope 2018 is starting off well for you and that all of your pets got through the celebrations without too much distress.

Redwood Pals has a special dog in our little Freckles. Freckles is a male cattle dog mix, just about a year old and about 45 pounds. Freckles is completely deaf but was lucky enough to land with a foster who has already started training him with vibration and hand signals.

He is so smart and responsive! Freckles knows all of his basic commands and has potential for agility work as well. Freckles is housebroken and crate-trained. He loves other dogs and all humans. His most favorite activity is fetching, but he also makes a great running buddy. Overall, he is just a sweet and happy pup! If you are wondering why his foster doesn't just keep him, the answer is that she would have loved to, but a family emergency came up and she has to be gone for an indefinite period.

You know this is a good dog when the foster doesn't re-



Freckles



Sadie

ally want to say goodbye. If you would like to meet Freckles and take up where his foster has left off, please contact us at [redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com) or call (707) 839-9692. Freckles is neutered, current on vaccinations and can be microchipped at adoption.

The shelter has a large selection of available dogs right now, including about half a dozen puppies. One of the puppies available is Sadie, a 3-month-old puppy that came in to the shelter with a case of sarcoptic mange, which is the contagious kind. She spent some time in isolation at the shelter and then was lucky enough to snag a foster that could take her home to recuperate.

I walked right by Sadie without recognizing her this

week; she looks so different now that she has hair again! This puppy was very patient with her treatment which included a lot of baths and lotion applications.

She has been good at entertaining herself with her toys and is so appreciative of attention from the volunteers! Sadie is fully recovered now; there is no chance of infecting another animal in the home.

Come meet this sweet little girl at the shelter and see what a good puppy she is!

The shelter is open Monday through Friday at 980 Locomotive Ave. in McKinleyville.

Sadie is spayed, microchipped and current on her vaccinations. More information is available at (707) 840-9132.



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## 6th straight win for women's basketball

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HSU ATHLETICS

ARCATA – Reeling off its sixth consecutive win Friday night at Lumberjack Arena, Humboldt State's women's basketball team dispatched visiting Cal State Dominguez Hills 78-70.

The Jacks move to 6-1 in CCAA conference play with the win, and now boast a 4-1 mark in their home venue. The result was especially significant because Dominguez Hills brought in a 5-2 conference record, nipping at the Jacks' heels in conference play.

The Jacks were led by Isamar Conde's 16 points and seven rebounds, as she continued a run of sterling play as of late. Tyla Turner also managed seven rebounds to go with her 14 points, and Jovanah Arrington scored 14 off the bench and hit 3-of-6 from distance. Tyra Turner also chipped in 14 on 6-of-8 shooting from the field.

"It's really rewarding because I think everybody did a little bit of what they needed to over our Christmas break," said Arrington. "And we came back and practiced hard."



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# Transformative year for county government

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HUMBOLDT – The past year saw county government taking new policy approaches, with several departments in a state of transition and leadership change.

Social services-related issues were highlighted by the county’s Grand Jury and a vexing infrastructure dilemma – the worrisome condition of the county’s roads – emerged as a public safety issue.

But the most work-intensive and impactful effort of county government was and will continue to be the daylighting of an underground industry that became state-licensed this week, on New Year’s Day.

**From marijuana to cannabis**

The last day of 2016 marked a milestone in the county’s regulation of cannabis – it was the deadline for submitting permit applications under a commercial production ordinance.

More than 300 applications were turned in that day, bringing the total number of permit applications to 2,337. By April, the county was in early stages of the next phase of regulation – drafting a new ordinance done under a more thorough environmental review than the existing one.

As permit approvals advanced, so did complaints about odor from residents of neighborhoods that border grow sites. In response, the new ordinance proposes expanded setbacks from residences and the borders of cities and communities, and giving cultivators other location choices.

Energy use, generator use and lighting are also targeted for new controls in the updated ordinance.

Later that spring, the county was considering means of dealing with growers who proceed with operations despite having incomplete permit applications. The hammer of fines of up to \$10,000 a day was tempered by the use of cooperative compliance agreements which incentivize improved cultivation practices.

By early June, 225 permit applications were complete and 33 permits had been

approved. The county continued to push for application re-submissions and by mid-July, 926 re-submissions were handed in and 45 permits had been approved.

Some of them were for areas that border neighborhoods, prompting suggestions of lawsuits against the county. A controversial proposal emerged in response – to apply the more restrictive standards of the new ordinance to operations proposed and permitted under the existing one.

The fall months saw the number of complete applications nearing 2,000, with over 60 permits approved by late September. As the new ordinance was readied for Planning Commission review, the county held local workshops in several communities.

About 90 permits had gained approvals when the county’s Planning Commission held its first public hearing on the new ordinance in mid-November. The scale of remaining work is outlined in the ordinance’s Environmental Impact Report, which estimates that the county has up to 15,000 grow sites.

At a second commission hearing, the divisive proposal to retroactively apply the new ordinance’s setback standards to permits already approved and in the application phase got majority support among commissioners.

During a third hearing in mid-December, commissioners considered – and declined to support – two restrictive proposals that would reduce the environmental impacts of additional permitting.

Banning the permitting of new grows and capping the total number of permits in the county were both rejected. Commissioners agreed to support a compromise policy related to the latter restriction, generally recommending that the Board of Supervisors decide on a cap if a watershed-by-watershed analysis reveals environmental impacts.

The commission’s final hearing is set for Jan. 11.

**General Plan approved, finally**

The county’s visionary planning document – the General Plan – gained approval

after 17 years of debate, controversy and political maneuvering.

The General Plan charts the county’s growth over the next two decades and updates the one that was approved in 1984. Work on it began in 2000 and was immediately controversial, as environmental and economic interests clashed.

By 2012, supervisors were ready to field a draft of the plan recommended by the Planning Commission. But that year, the composition of the board changed and a majority of supervisors supported by realtors and property rights advocates called for a complete re-do.

Supervisors approved an overhauled plan in late October. The most significant mapping changes from the 2012 draft involve changing the designations of agriculture and timber parcels to enhance residential entitlements.

**Grand Jury’s ‘raw, disturbing’ report**

In early July, the county’s Grand Jury released an annual report that delves into child welfare issues that are “raw, disturbing and should be of concern to all members of our community.”

Protecting children from abuse and responding to it were main investigative items in the report.

Declaring that “the children of Humboldt County are ill-served by the intake system that is meant to protect them,” the report analyzes the effectiveness of child protection services.

“Unfortunately, the (Grand Jury) discovered that our children are not being afforded the protections that they deserve,” the report states.

The report’s recommendations include having the county’s Department of Health and Human Services develop a “timeliness metric” for measuring response times once child abuse/neglect is reported.

The department’s response was issued the next month, noting that the system for responding to reporters of suspected child abuse has changed this year.

Health and Human Services Director Connie Beck’s response also points out that the county is working with the state’s Attorney General’s Office and the National

Council on Crime and Delinquency to train social workers and revise Child Welfare Services (CWS) emergency response procedures.

The Grand Jury also looked at the consolidation of the county Sheriff’s Office and Public Administrator/Coroner Office, recommending that a “civilian professional” be hired for the public administrator role.

In his response, Sheriff Billy Honsal notes that since the report’s release, an investigation into the conduct of the Public Administrator’s Office regarding sales of estate items is being conducted by the state Department of Justice.

Honsal’s response states, “The ongoing investigation will not only review and evaluate past practices, but will also result in necessary improvements to the public administrator’s policies and procedures.”

**New leads**

Changes in leadership of key county departments made 2017 a year of transition.

County Sheriff Mike Downey retired in early May, with Undersheriff Billy Honsal appointed by supervisors as his replacement.

Downey moved to Humboldt County in 1986 and the Southern Humboldt area was the hub of his first phase of county law enforcement work.

Honsal will serve the remainder of Downey’s term and is expected to run in the November 2018 election.

Another longtime county department head, Todd Sobolik, retired in December after 33 years of work as a building official.

County Public Defender Kevin Robinson’s retirement early in the year was probably the most transformative of all, as his board-appointed replacement, David Marcus, was extremely controversial.

Marcus began work in February and was met with immediate rejection by the office’s attorneys, its staff and local defense attorneys.

A lawsuit challenging his qualification for the post was filed and several of the office’s key attorneys resigned. Marcus himself resigned toward the end of the year and the board’s process for replacing him will be closely watched as 2018 begins.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** Arcata’s Public Safety Task Force meets tonight, Jan. 3 at 6 p.m. in the Senior Room at the Arcata Community Center to discuss downtown alcohol and safety issues and its draft report to the Arcata City Council.

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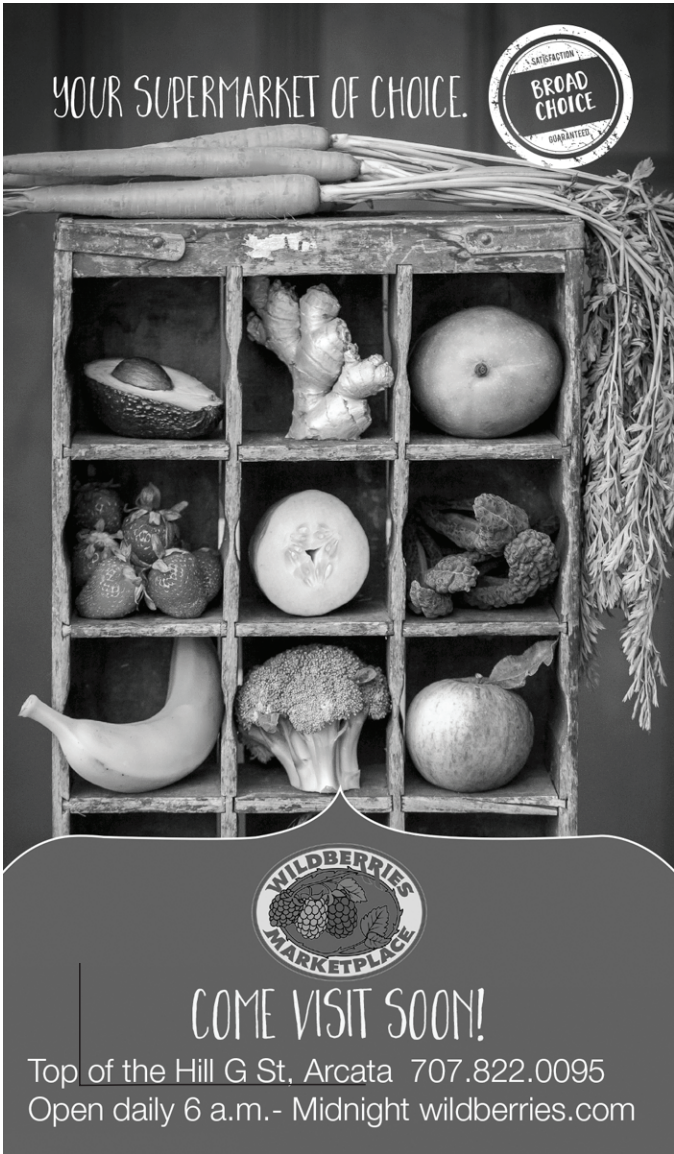
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## Plaza | Monthly Mural, al fresco dining among ideas for town square

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Night Flicks” held at the Arcata Ball Park last summer. It wouldn’t be the first time. Years ago, movies were shown during a Friday night Arts! Arcata, with the building at Eighth and G streets which houses the “Plaza” store used as a projection screen.

“We can certainly explore the logistics,” Neander said.

Ideas flowed fast and furious, even, as member Steve Martin observed, without use of the custom-

ary butcher paper. He suggested a steel drum class.

Brotherton said a “watered-down monthly version” of Pastels on the Plaza might be offered, maybe called “Monthly Murals.” McGuire said a monthly theme might be used, with a supervising artist offering a quick lesson and then turning the participating artists loose on that idea.

Starck wondered what could be done to get senior citizens out on the Plaza. Neander said that the Humboldt Senior Resource Center might be approached as a potential partner in scoping possibilities. “Do seniors have unmet needs that we could do on the Plaza?” she said.

Another idea was to

boost al fresco dining on the Plaza, possibly with one day a week designated for food trucks to assemble there. Still more ideas included some sort of improvisational theatre, though arguably that’s what the committee is trying to replace. Brotherton suggested flash mobs that would flare into being every half hour, but there again, different from the ones already plaguing the Plaza.

Neander said there are any number of community groups whose cooperation might be enlisted in the effort – the Dell’Arte School of Physical Theatre, the Arcata Playhouse, Ink People Center for the Arts and the Sanctuary.

She also cautioned that

collaborations will bring liability issues and fees, but also that sponsorships and grants might be solicited to help subsidize some activities.

**Still more Plaza brainstorming**

While the meeting was free of broad sheets of paper on which to jot the ideas, butcher paper aficionados may see the return of the idea-absorbing rolls next Monday night, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center.

That’s when the Arcata City Council will indulge Arcata’s enduring civic hobby and once again hold a study session to discuss the Plaza.

The agenda begins with

a “brief history of community Plaza improvements” and then some brainstorming, then “public breakout stations” to prioritize the ideas. This will be followed by public comment.

City Manager Karen Diemer said she has the Parks and Rec Committee’s suggestions, some of which could provide motivating visuals.

“The idea is to go hog wild with pictures that depict all the great ideas that have been generated over the years and not implemented, and see if we can narrow down some priorities,” Diemer said. “This will be a meeting of paper you don’t want to miss.”

## Sewer | Urgent project to protect bay from massive sewage spill

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lons a day, causing a condition of risk of imminent failure of the line,” the report states. Continues the report, “the necessity to protect Humboldt Bay from a sewer leak of this magnitude is paramount.”

Along with environmental damage, any sewage spill

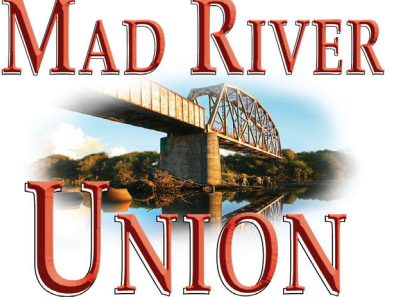
into the bay would likely result in substantial fines by the Water Quality Control Board.

The normal process for contracting for repairs – developing a bid package and hiring someone to do the work – would take about two months. That would leave the area exposed and at risk of the line which carries about 60 percent of Arcata’s sewage bursting open and putting the bay at risk.

It would also delay PG&E in completing repairs at two sites – the Samoa Boulevard project and the gas line work at Seventh and I streets. The latter project has been in progress since mid-September.

PG&E spokesperson Deanna Contreras said the Seventh and I project will continue through late January or early February. Area residences and businesses will be notified of any interruptions in service as the project continues.

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# Rancheria, Yurok Tribe & city issue dueling statements over lighthouse

Trinidad Rancheria says it was misrepresented, maligned

**TRINIDAD RANCHERIA**  
TRINIDAD – Recently, the Cher-ae Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria (Trinidad Rancheria), a Federally Recognized Tribe, has been attacked politically and culturally by the Yurok Tribe and the Tsurai Ancestral Society (TAS). Until this time, the Tribal Council has chosen not to respond to allegations and accusations made by either group. The Trinidad Rancheria has been misrepresented and maligned by the TAS, as well as by members of the Yurok Tribe, their Council and staff. Despite these unjustified accusations and negative attacks, the Trinidad Rancheria is determined to remain faithful to our Vision and Mission Statements.

The Trinidad Rancheria is extremely concerned about the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse, as well as Trinidad Rancheria lands, the Tsurai Village, the Galindo Street Trail, and the larger Trinidad Community as a whole. We want the community and the public to understand that we do not agree with some aspects of the statements and actions of the Yurok Tribe and the TAS regarding these areas.

To collaboratively come to a successful resolution of the issue of the Memorial Lighthouse, Trinidad Rancheria recommends convening the Civic Club (the owner of the Memorial Lighthouse), and the appropriate governmental entities and stakeholders to develop solutions and create a cooperative body for the Memorial Lighthouse and the surrounding area.

An extremely good example of a local cooperative management team is the one formed through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Trinidad Head Lighthouse Management Plan. The United States Coast Guard transferred the Trinidad Head Lighthouse to the BLM in May, 2014. The BLM asked the City of Trinidad, The Yurok Tribe, and the Trinidad Rancheria “to participate as Cooperating Agencies (40 CFR 1501.6, 40 CFR 1508.5) to bring special expertise to the development of this management plan.” The BLM model could serve as a tried and true template in resolving the Memorial Lighthouse issues.

On December 7, an emergency permit was issued by the City of Trinidad to begin temporary relocation efforts of the Memorial Lighthouse. The Civic Club contracted with Trinidad Rancheria to provide cultural monitoring services for the project during the week of December 11, and our Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer felt it vital for on-site monitoring.

A certified cultural monitor was on site performing her job duties, when several staff of the Yurok Tribe arrived on site and demanded that the Civic Club and the contractor immediately cease work, and directly questioned the Trinidad Rancheria employee as to her qualifications and training as a Cultural Monitor.

The Yurok Tribe has repeatedly disputed Trinidad Rancheria’s Cultural Monitors and Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer’s knowledge and qualifications to perform such duties; when in fact, the Trinidad Rancheria and the Yurok Tribe have previously sponsored joint Cultural Monitor Certification Trainings and certified their respective monitors utilizing the identical curriculum. We trained our monitors together in a collaborative effort to protect resources throughout our shared ancestral territory.

In a December 15 statement published in the *Lost Coast Outpost*, Rosie Clayburn, the Director of the Yurok Tribe Cultural Division, stated, “If the new location slips toward the sea, it will take out the cemetery, most of the village site and the Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail, a path our people have used since time immemorial.”

As people of Yurok descent and heritage, the Rancheria respects the cultural and historic importance of the Tsurai village and agrees that protection of the village and associated burial sites is of utmost importance. The current project will move the lighthouse 20 feet to the left of the existing location. If the new location slips, it may impact the Tsurai Study Area and therefore a long-term strategy should be explored for permanent relocation

In the same article, Frankie Myers, the Yurok Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer, likened the Memorial Lighthouse to the Gold Rush era, stating that, “For Yuroks, the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse is a monument to this tragic era. We feel like it is no different than the statues created to

honor Confederate soldier in the South.”

Trinidad Rancheria agrees that the atrocities of the past were a horrific time in the history of all Yurok people, which includes not only the Yurok Tribe but also the Big Lagoon Rancheria, Resighini Rancheria and the Trinidad Rancheria, all tribes of “Historic Yurok Origin.” (Senate Report Number 100-564 at 29 (1988).

The Yurok Tribe and the TAS both deny that Trinidad Rancheria Tribal members descend from the village; however family genealogies demonstrate otherwise. Nevertheless, in the spirit of reunification and collaboration, all parties should come together in a peaceful and respectful manner to resolve the issues.

The Tsurai village is located within the historic area of ancestral territory of the Yurok people. The Yurok Tribe in their constitution claims “jurisdiction over ancestral territory,” from the mouth of Wilson Creek near Klamath to Little River. This area includes public, private and tribal lands not under the control or authority of the Yurok Tribe, and the Trinidad Rancheria has 97 acres of trust land in the region.

This “ancestral territory” is in reality a common territory shared by all descendants of Yurok People as a whole. The Yurok Tribe is not synonymous with the Yurok people; this is the ancestral homeland of all Federally Recognized Tribes of historic Yurok origin.

The Yurok Tribe has been working on Yurok Lands Legislation for several years, sponsored by Congressman Jared Huffman. The Trinidad Rancheria has been working with Congressman Huffman and his staff to recommend revised language in the legislation to specifically state that the Yurok Tribe does not have jurisdiction over ancestral territory outside their reservation boundaries.

Provided that the rights of Trinidad Rancheria members are protected, the Trinidad Rancheria does not object to the Yurok Tribe obtaining additional acreage and revising their reservation boundaries, which currently is one mile on either side of the Klamath River from the confluence of the Klamath and Trinity Rivers to the mouth of the Klamath River.

The proposed amendments in the Yurok Lands Legislation would change some provisions regarding the administration of federal lands that would be located within the revised Yurok Reservation boundary

We do object to another tribe asserting authority and jurisdiction over property and assets not under their ownership or control. All Federally Recognized Tribes of historic Yurok origin have equal standing with regard to such lands.

Trinidad Rancheria is a Federally Recognized Tribe located one mile from the City of Trinidad. The Trinidad Rancheria was established in 1917 and celebrated its centennial in 2017. Our vision statement is “Honoring the Past, Living in the Present, Looking Toward the Future.”

The Trinidad Rancheria’s mission statement upholds our belief and principle of being a strong community partner and to form collaborative partnerships: “to preserve and promote our cultural and traditional beliefs; improve quality of life and self sufficiency; uphold tribal sovereignty; create positive partnerships; and protect the environment in order to provide a healthy community, honor our elders, and guide our youth.”

Trinidad Rancheria owns and operates the Seascope Harbor Businesses including the Trinidad Pier, Seascope Restaurant, a boat launch facility and a vacation rental, totaling 9.3 acres. Pursuant to a California Ocean Plan agreement between the State and the Trinidad Rancheria, the Rancheria completed environmental improvements at the harbor, including a rebuilt pier, septic tank upgrades, a state-of-the-art wastewater treatment plant, storm water-runoff mitigations, and public restroom facilities. These improvements better serve the community and visitors to the harbor and beach area. As a government and business owner, we have demonstrated our resolve to mitigate environmental and cultural issues, and continue to develop the harbor properties with strong cultural, environmental and economic oversight.

The Trinidad Rancheria remains committed to the respectful resolution of the many issues facing the Civic Club, the City of Trinidad, and the local Federally Recognized Tribes.

Yurok Tribe calls lighthouse move ‘disgraceful and disrespectful’

**YUROK TRIBE**  
TRINIDAD – The Yurok Tribe is deeply disappointed with a premature decision to move the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse, prior to the completion of a formal consultation process between interested parties.

“To move the memorial in the midst of the consultation process, under the guise of an ‘emergency,’ is disgraceful and disrespectful,” said Rosie Clayburn, the Director of the Yurok Tribe’s Cultural Division. “We have been working, in good faith, with the City of Trinidad and Trinidad Civic Club to relocate the memorial to a place where it would not disturb our ancestors and where it would not be in danger from falling.”

“After the memorial lighthouse began to slip in the winter of 2016, the Yurok Tribe contacted the City of Trinidad and the Trinidad Civic Club to initiate an official dialogue regarding the relocation of the monument to an area that was acceptable to all. The lighthouse replica sits atop a traditional Yurok village site, containing a large cemetery, which is occupied, in part, by Yuroks who were killed by white settlers during the Gold Rush. The Tribe hoped that the structure could be moved to a destination that no longer had the potential to disturb the relatives of many local Yurok families.

Chue-rey, also spelled Tsurai, is one of the largest Yurok village sites. The adjacent natural harbor and formerly abundant natural resources enabled the Tribe to develop a thriving community on the bluffs overlooking the ocean. The protected bay was also used as a primary port during the Gold Rush, a horrific time in the Tribe’s history, when miners murdered untold numbers of Yuroks in Trinidad and along the Klamath River. Prior to the 1850s, the Yurok people had very little contact with non-Indians.

“For Yuroks, the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse is a monument to this tragic era. We feel like it is no different than the statues created to honor Confederate soldiers in the South,” said Frankie Myers, the Yurok Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer. “What we’re asking is for the city and Civic Club to give the same respect to our ancestors as they give to the families of the 238 people who were buried at sea.”

The accumulative impact of the Civic Club’s projects in proximity to the monument destabilized the bluff and caused the Memorial Lighthouse to slide last winter. The Yurok Tribe believes that the City of Trinidad and Trinidad Civic Club claimed that the memorial was in imminent danger of falling in order to push the project forward, because both knew the Tribe and Tsurai Ancestral Society did not support the move.

“The California Coastal Conservancy did not support the approval of an emergency permit, nor the proposed placement of the Memorial Lighthouse. They contested it along with attorney Ralph Faust,” said Sarah Lindgren-Akana, the secretary for the Tsurai Ancestral Society.

The new location for the lighthouse, just 12 feet from where it formerly sat, still has the potential to fail, according to geological reports associated with the project.

“If the new location slips toward the sea, it will take out the cemetery, most of the village site and the Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail, a path our people have used since time immemorial,” said Clayburn, the Director of the Yurok Cultural Division. “Even though the city and the Civic Club did not select the original placement of the memorial, they are responsible for what happens now.”

The Yurok Tribe is the largest Tribe in California with more than 6,000 members. The Tribe’s ancestral territory comprises 7.5 percent of the California coastline, spanning from the Little River to the south and Damnation Creek to the north. The eastern boundary is the Klamath River’s confluence with the Trinity River. The Tribe is a leader in natural resource management, fisheries restoration and cultural protection.

**MCKINLEYVILLE TOP-WN BOARD** The McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors will meet today, Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd. in McKinleyville. The board has a full agenda. The board will present its Community Builder Award to the Sheriff’s Citizens on Patrol program and its Employee of the Year Award to Jennifer Olsen. The board will hear an audit presentation and may vote on a grant application to get funding for after-school programs. The Humboldt Skate Park Collective will give the board an update on its efforts to raise money to build a skate park at Pierson Park. The board will review its strategic plan and will consider board member committee assignments for the new year. The board will also consider approving a new anti-discrimination policy. Various reports will also be heard by the board.

Wants to work with stakeholders to preserve lighthouse, village

**CITY OF TRINIDAD**  
TRINIDAD – The City of Trinidad has a duty to protect the Tsurai Village as well as the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse.

Moving the lighthouse to more stable ground on site will protect the village site and cultural resources below by removing the immediate threat of the Memorial Lighthouse sliding down on top of the village, and will enhance public access to the Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail and Old Home Beach.

In spring 2017 geologic studies warned that the Trinidad Memorial Light-

house was in serious danger of sliding over the bluff if not moved before the next rainy season.

Out of respect and concern for the cultural and historic significance of the village site, the Trinidad Civic Club proactively opened a dialogue with the Yurok Tribe and the Cher-ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria (Trinidad Rancheria) to discuss the possibilities for relocation of the Memorial Lighthouse.

With no feasible alternative site identified in the short time available, and the rainy season underway,

the Civic Club applied for and was granted an emergency permit to move the Lighthouse over on the Civic Club property.

The active slide next to the lighthouse is part of the natural geology of our area, and one of many such slides along this beautiful coastline.

The geology work commissioned by the City has been clear that this slide is a natural feature that is making its way up the hill from below, and is not driven by the weight of the Lighthouse or other improvements on the site.

There is no basis in fact

for the argument that previous Trinidad Civic Club projects have caused this active slide.

The statements from the Yurok Tribe and the Trinidad Rancheria highlight the differences between the local American Indian people (Yurok and Yurok descendants) who trace their families and ancestors to the Tsurai Village.

Those differences are ultimately between the gov-

ernments of the Trinidad Rancheria and the Yurok Tribe, not between the City of Trinidad and the Yurok Tribal government.

It is the City of Trinidad’s desire to bring all of the stakeholders in this matter together to work cooperatively in a meaningful and respectful way to protect and preserve the village of Tsurai and the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse.

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## Just spreading the love, if by love we mean strewn garbage and debris

• **Friday, December 22 3:25 a.m.** The primal appeal of wafting pastry fumes may have been overcome by the sheer drunken lunatic density of the donut shop regularly encountered at this hour, as an elderly gent inside a cab out front refused, for a time, to get out of the idling taxi. But like the flaky crust of a ham and cheese croissant, his will eventually crumbled.

**10:07 a.m.** The white truck with “LKQ” on the side may be forgiven for failing to stay in its lane while passing a Jacoby Creek school, because at that kind of speed, lane position isn’t exactly easy to maintain.

**10:36 a.m.** A resident of the field between a Valley West shopping center and the newish hotel decided one of the laundromat’s clothing carts would serve his camping needs well, and trundled the thing over to his weedy domicile.

**11:33 a.m.** A man with salt and pepper facial hair deployed spicy comments at random passersby at the Marsh on South I Street. He also waved his large black stick at them, to unknown purpose.

**11:43 a.m.** A sprawling multi-camper site ’twixt 10th Street and Samoa Boulevard was furnished with a plush, luxuriant crapscape of garbage.

**6:42 p.m.** A man in a camouflage jacket stole multiple tools from a Valley West business, then ambled around back to sit on the loading dock and savor his ill-gotten gains. An officer admonished him never to return.

**8:05 p.m.** The shoplifter at a nearby supermarket did little to camouflage himself – quite the opposite. Clad in pastel tights, boots and topped with dreadlocks, he managed to remove several hundred dollars worth of unpaid-for groceries.

• **Saturday, December 23 5:34 a.m.** Guests at a no-budget Valley West motel may have temporarily mollified the front desk with facile promises that they’d quieten down, but their vows of silence were quickly sundered by a profound impulse control deficit.

**10:59 a.m.** A child custody exchange on the Plaza got yelly for the same reasons when the dad’s ex-wife and her boyfriend charged up at him and deployed a toxic cocktail of inappropriate comments, screaming and invitations to engage in combat right then right there.

**3:47 p.m.** Mischievous slumpabouts in Tavern Alley filled the air with deranged yelling, one of their number lying on the ground in silent protest, or something.

**6:06 p.m.** A man in a black hoodie likes to walk in circles around someone’s H Street home while spouting obscenities. The resident is questioning his choice of hobbies.

**6:08 p.m.** A man in a green jacket may have been ad-

ressing people in China as he lie face down at Eighth and G streets, yelling into the pavement.

**7:11 p.m.** A man on Grant Avenue yelled either at or about someone named Julia, then trudged away.

**7:16 p.m.** The Julia-yeller at Sunset Avenue and Baldwin Street took up his top-volume issue with passersby there.

**9:21 p.m.** Valley West upheld the statistical density of screechabouts, with a man wearing all black clothes blurt-ing obscenities at they who walked by.

• **Christmas Eve 4:47 a.m.** A guest at a C Street AirBNB was offered a no-brainer (and also brain-less) proposition in the driveway: “Either we are friends or you die!”

**10:30 a.m.** Surprisingly, a goateed man who’d been toting a beer and talking to himself proved to be not the best of drivers. He got into his car on the Plaza, dinged another vehicle then aimed his chariot in the direction of the freeway.

**12:48 p.m.** A woman threatened to attack an employee at a Plaza business, saying she was going to gather a mob to lynch the guy, that the proprietor was probably a cop and can we be friends? Probably not.

**3:39 p.m.** Some blurtabouts set up a passerby-bothering station at Eighth and G streets, offering screaming and general harassment services.

**4:32 p.m.** A man at Ninth and K streets should have worn a *de rigueur* rig of all-concealing camouflage-based garments of the type so popular among today’s dashing (usually away from angry shopkeepers) ne’er-do-wells. There he, wearing a red plaid shirt and cream-colored cowboy hat, spray-painted over a video surveillance camera.

**5:34 p.m.** After stealing petrol from several vehicles in a Weott Way parking lot, the siphoning slithy tove lazily left the gas tank doors open and the hose dangling limply from the last tank he drained.

**5:36 p.m.** A man with a face tattoo and orange blanket called police from a Eureka-bound bus saying he didn’t understand why he was alone on Christmas. He believes there is a conspiracy to keep him homeless.

**9:16 p.m.** A Samoa Boulevard residence suffered the loss of multiple expensive items after someone slithered in through an unlocked sliding glass door. The victim thought it perhaps relevant to note that two roommates had just moved out.

**10:10 p.m.** A man reported his wallet – black, with a green cannabis leaf on each side to advertise his enduring commitment to the herb – had been stolen out of his car in an I Street parking lot. The suspect was his fiancée, whom he said admitted the theft via a text message.

**10:19 p.m.** While the air on Valley West Boulevard was filled with howled obscenities...

**11 p.m.** ...the blasting booms of fireworks rose skyward from the Craftsman’s Mall...

**11:02 p.m.** ...and Mack Road fireworks initially inspired a report of shots fired.

• **Christmas 12:30 a.m.** As guests at a Valley West motel unloaded their truck, a blonde man drove up in a car, snatched several Christmas presents and drove off. Lost were a child’s bicycle, two helmets, a drill and glass set.

**1:14 p.m.** A blonde woman made off with a bottle of Bailey’s from a shoplifter-wracked Uniontown store, but – oops – left her backpack behind at the front door while making her escape.

**9:27 a.m.** Two off-leash dogs at the Marsh romped and disrupted delicate avian reproductive cycles.

**10:49 a.m.** A Good Samaritan with everyone else’s best interests at heart carried two Dollar Store bags and wore a backpack as he peered into windows and tried doorhandles in Creamery Alley. Confronted, he explained that he was just checking on children in the area.

**11:06 a.m.** An initial shove on Union Street gave way to a threat that the shover was going to “execute” the shovee.

**12:52 p.m.** A 29th Street resident said a neighbor cut down a tree on his property, then played loud music, offering distinct signs of hostile aggression.

• **Tuesday, December 26 11:31 a.m.** Two men were observed having sex out back of a Valley West cannabis clinic, after which they resumed camping amid strewn debris. One or both were arrested for indecent exposure.

**11:33 a.m.** The same business complained that RVs

parked out front sprayed litter about the area, their occupants constantly arguing.

**1:05 p.m.** A neighborhood dog isn’t accustomed to being leashed, and uses a Tina Court front yard to do its doggie business.

**1:27 p.m.** Campers at the Marsh spread out their outdoor gear beside the log pond, then cracked open the booze containers.

**4:11 p.m.** Afternoon drinkers at the transit center practiced their top-volume obscenity-yelling.

**7:01 p.m.** Slightly more versatile were the occupants of a vehicle parked behind a Valley West motel, who smoked dope, guzzled booze and blasted music.

**7:20 p.m.** A red-haired man with a camouflage backpack stole a broom, then tried to rip off someone’s laundry, fleeing when confronted.

• **Wednesday, December 27 1:50 a.m.** A bearded man spread his grungy property out across the transit center. He was asked to move along.

**3:06 a.m.** Eschewing the usual garbage, an RV resident on Valley West Boulevard instead surrounded his motor-home with broken glass.

**9:22 a.m.** Another garbage-strewer at the transit center warded off someone trying to clean up the area with confrontational hostility.

**10:12 a.m.** Someone driving under the pedestrian walkway took a small rock to the windshield.

**10:32 a.m.** Normally beset by campers and tatterdemalion interlopers, on this day a Valley West preschool had to put up with a wayward weirdling banging on an outside faucet. He turned out to have an outstanding warrant, and was cited.

**10:34 a.m.** Gaining entry through a kitchen window, burglars stole jewelry, money and a computer from an East 13th Street residence.

**11:16 a.m.** A transit center debris-strewer had been warned away, but was now back resuming his vision quest of scattering property around the area.

**12:49 p.m.** The person to whom a Valley West motel room had been rented wasn’t there, but a man, a woman and a whole lot of illegal drugs were. Someone was arrested.

**1:02 p.m.** Two men fought near the statue of William McKinley, Civil War hero. Someone was arrested.

**2:10 p.m.** Two men fought near the statue of William McKinley, genocidal racist. Someone was arrested.

**5:08 p.m.** Persons of unknown quantity and unspecified gender fought near the statue of William McKinley, undistinguished president of ambiguous morality. The combatants, who’d been fighting about a dog barking, separated.

**5:09 p.m.** Multiple men argued near the statue of William McKinley, bronze Rorschach blot for whatever cultural values one might hold dear. But their argument dissipated as quickly as facts and logic in an ideological dispute.

**6:09 p.m.** It’s not uncommon to see traveler-deposited backpacks, bags and other possessions parked on the Plaza. But the baseball bat wrapped in barbed wire was a fresh innovation.

## Explosive entrepreneur sentenced for hash blast, DUIs, eco-damage, littering

**MAD RIVER UNION**

**HUMBOLDT** – The Office of the District Attorney reported Dec. 27 that Judge Dale Reinholtsen had sentenced William Edwards Woods III, 34, from Eureka, to seven years for manufacturing concentrated cannabis using a volatile substance. The offense is a felony violation under California Health & Safety Code.

According to a press release, Woods will serve an additional eight months for unlawful marijuana cultivation resulting in violation of Fish and Game Code section 1602, which prohibits unlawful water diversion and obstructions of California’s streams.

In addition, the court sentenced Woods on three separate DUI cases from 2015 and 2016 to an additional 360 days in jail and five years of probation, along with a 30-month DUI program and registration as a habitual traffic offender.

On Jan. 25, 2017, the Humboldt Bay Fire Department, Humboldt County Drug Task Force (DTF), and Humboldt County Arson Task Force, investigated a butane hash oil (BHO) explosion at Woods’ residence at 3473 Middlefield Lane in Eureka.

There, investigators discovered a commercial-scale, closed-loop BHO system, which included a large butane tank, five BHO ovens, over 400 pounds of marijuana shake and 10.5 pounds of finished concentrated cannabis. Woods fled immediately after the explosion, leaving a witness who had been burned by the explosion to drive himself to the hospital.

On Aug. 3, HCSO deputies arrested Woods while serving a search warrant at an unlawful marijuana cultivation site in Burr Valley. Members of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife’s Watershed Enforcement Team discovered several violations of the Fish and Game Code at the cultivation site, including substantial water diversions, water pollution, and littering near a stream.

Deputy District Attorney Adrian Kamada, who prosecuted the cases, stated, “I appreciate the victim’s cooperation in the prosecution in Mr. Wood’s BHO case, and wish him continued success with his recovery. I also wish to recognize District Attorney Investigator Marvin Kirkpatrick, Humboldt Bay Fire Chief Chris Emmons, DTF Special Agent Tim Dias, and the Environmental Division of the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services for their work in dismantling and removing the dangerous BHO system from the residential neighborhood.”



William Edwards Woods III

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Bench piece

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9. Reverie

14. Invisible emanation

15. Scorch

16. Spooky

17. In a \_\_\_\_; miffed

18. Antitoxins

19. Pack animal

20. State capital

23. Reclined

24. Refrain syllable

25. Item for a Yankee

28. Locks

32. Suppose to be a fact

34. Gives up

35. Word of warning

37. Region

38. \_\_\_\_ Major

39. Narrow boat

40. \_\_\_\_ Department; store section

41. Dye plant

42. Delete

43. Sun blocker

44. Like a foot and a yard

46. Insensitive

48. Distance driven ÷ amt. of gas used

49. Large container

51. Debtor's note

52. Place to buy rye

58. Church feature

61. Dryer fuzz

62. Noted African bishop

63. Member of an Eastern religion

64. Freeway division

65. Algerian seaport

66. Cursor mover

67. Fly high

68. Suffix for bald or bold

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1. Be impudent

2. Moon: Sp.

3. Seed covering

4. Snitch

5. Analyzes ore

6. Use too much perfume

7. Swiss waterway

8. Brightly colored leaf

9. Burke and others

10. Depend

11. Period

12. Goal

13. \_\_\_\_ culpa

21. Maiden

22. Fuming

25. FBI, for one

26. Reparation

27. Kid

28. Edible root

29. Moving upward

30. Dutch export

31. \_\_\_\_ boom

33. Man for whom a large city is named

34. Misgiving

36. "...\_\_ creature was..."

39. Yellowish pink

43. Plum type

45. Fifth \_\_\_\_

47. Mama dog's pride

50. Farms

52. Old-fashioned root beer

53. "Adieu, Giuseppe!"

54. Santa \_\_\_\_; Mexican president of the 1800's

55. Word of assent

56. Greek letters

57. Sisters

58. Electrical resistance unit

59. Atlantic resort, for short

60. African antelope

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OPINION

Remove the President McKinley statue, rebrand Arcata

I have been protesting the statue of President McKinley on the Arcata Plaza for a long time. Why? Three reasons:

1. McKinley was not all good or all bad. However, his policies led to, among other things, the deaths of between 200,000 and three million Filipinos, most of them civilians, many of them children. (Full disclosure: I have several Filipino family members, including three grand-daughters.) For whatever else he may have done right or wrong, this alone disqualifies him from being honored in Humboldt County, much less by the City of Arcata.

2. McKinley died several generations ago. Times have changed. Values have changed. The country has moved on. American culture has moved on. McKinley has long been irrelevant to most Arcatans. It is time for Arcata to move on and choose a symbol for the heart of the city that reflects the hearts of the people who live here now.

3. I feel that an unwillingness to change and a lack of imagination have caused missed opportunities for the City of Arcata to change for the better. Arcatans have complained for years that they are unhappy with how our city is viewed and experienced, both by local residents and visitors. We have heard complaints about a large homeless population on the Plaza. Complaints about a large male population on the Plaza. Complaints about the marijuana culture. Complaints about trash downtown. Complaints about graffiti on downtown buildings, etc.

Complaining is like armchair quarterbacking – cheap and easy but not very effective. If we want change, then we must embrace change. Arcata City Council, and anyone else who complains about the Plaza or any other aspect of Arcata, hear me now. You cannot have a friendlier (changed) Plaza or a cleaner, more vibrant city if you refuse to let any change take place.



GUEST OPINION Fhyre Phoenix

The McKinley statue is an effective dead zone. Many people don't know who it is and many who do know, do not like it. No-one is allowed to touch it or interact with it. It is not colorful, it is not a thing of particular beauty, nor does it make a pleasant sound, nor make children laugh. I think we can do better.

The statue is not popular. I have spent at least one hour per day for 17 days during the month of December, standing across the street from the Plaza, holding a sign that requested that the statue be removed. On average, there were about fifteen positive responses for each negative one.

Taking down the McKinley statue gives the City of Arcata a chance to re-brand itself, to set into motion a series of events and changes that transforms the culture, the vibe and future business opportunities in Arcata.

What can we have at the center of the Plaza instead of McKinley? Ideas abound. 1. Nothing at all – just open walking space. 2. A replica of the gazebo that used to be there, before the statue. 3. A labyrinth, inlaid into the walking surface. 4. A water fountain. 5. Built-in tables and chairs for playing chess. 6. A redwood tree. 7. A kinetic sculpture. 8. A playground for young children. Again, ideas abound.

How do we re-brand Arcata? Here is one idea. What if Arcata decided to honor women in a big way? How about installing statues of two women on each corner, statues of real women with stellar accomplishments, from the U.S. and around the world?

There are so many to choose from and they are so poorly represented throughout the U.S. New York City has only five statues of women. Arcata, with eight, may end up as the city with the highest concentration of statues honoring women.

How would this affect the self-esteem of all the girls and women in Arcata? How might this affect tourism?

What great programs might spring from this focus? What new small business opportunities might this give rise to? Might more girls and women aspire to leadership roles? How might increased tourism by women and more women's leadership affect local social policies, especially with regard to the homeless and others who need a hand up?

As I have a personal interest in the topic of honoring women, I offer my services to raise all the funds needed to make a complete make-over on the Plaza. Therefore, there will be no city budget or taxpayer impact.

It makes little sense to stay tethered to a distant, barely relevant past. History will neither be erased nor changed by taking the McKinley statue down. But taking down the statue will provide an opportunity to clarify and express our collective vision for the future. Let's move forward.

Fhyre Phoenix was a one-time candidate for Arcata City Council and a resident of Arcata for 20 years before recently moving to McKinleyville.



Let's share our thoughts and our ideas and make this a better world

**In defense of McKinley**  
The anti-William McKinley crowd should have done better research before branding him a racist and imperialist. Yes, he was a Republican, but a *Lincoln* Republican.

McKinley was the last American president to have fought in the Civil War. He worked his way from the bottom ranks to become a major in the Union Army.

Following that bloody war, McKinley spent 11 years as a law student and practicing attorney before running successfully for U.S.Congress, where he was the resident expert on protective tariffs.

Gerrymandered out of office, he ran for governor of Ohio the following year and won. Considered a moderate, McKinley ran for president in 1896 against William Jennings Bryan and won.

At the time, America was in a deep recession. McKinley's economic policies made the U.S. prosperous again.

William McKinley was the first presidential candidate to speak in front of a black church audience, in March of 1895.

After negotiating unsuccessfully with Spain to grant Cuba independence so that Cubans would no longer live in virtual slavery, McKinley declared war on Spain and won Cuba's eventual independence.

To protect U.S. interests from Great Britain we took possession of Puerto Rico and various other islands, including island chains in the Pacific, such as Guam and the Philippines,

The Hawaiian islands were accepted as U.S. territory as a sort of gift from the new government of Hawaii, which had successfully rebelled against the Hawaiian Monarch prior to McKinley taking office.

Had the U.S. turned down the gift it would have ended up in the hands of either the British or Japanese government, and those islands would eventually have been used as platforms to launch an assault against the U.S.

Incidentally, the chief "diplomat" who sent in Naval forces to prevent the loss of American lives and property was acting on his own, not on orders from Washington, which is why he was summoned home following the Hawaiian rebellion. Fortunately, not one life was lost on either side during the rebellion.

In McKinley's inaugural speech, he called for "an avoidance of the temptation of territorial aggression." He was *not* an imperialist!

But neither was he a friend to the Indian. He presided over the dismantling of the so-called five civilized tribes. While he did pardon Indians who participated in one of the last Indian uprisings, if they were "in the way of progress" they would be jostled aside, treaty or no.

After six months into his second term,

LETTERS

McKinley was shot by an anarchist. If Arcata does not want his statue give it to McKinleyville.

William Quinn McKinleyville

Sorry, Mr, Thief

I am so sorry. Had I known you needed those envelopes, I would not have addressed them to family and friends. Now the cards are no good to you. I had planned to personalize them while waiting for my great-grand. Well, maybe they are.

The birth of Jesus was the message on them, the reason for the season. I am so sorry the pen, given to me, has been used for several months. Had I known you needed one, I would have given you a new one. And I am so sorry for that constant ringing. We went from room to room, checked the pantry, microwave, trash, oven, fridge, garage, thinking I may have been having a senior moment,

I understand why you had to turn it off. Guess I had gotten to the car with it after all. Had to run into the P.O. to return mail crates which were given to me with books for the Lions Club Book Sale. So sorry I left temptation in your sight.

I can't seem to get used to having to lock up every time you turn your back.

You know, there is a certain pride in working and earning the money to buy the things you need. Kmart Papa Murphy's. McDonald's and Burger King are all hiring. Numerous help wanted signs around Eureka. Why not try it? You might not be so lucky sometime and have to pay a visit to the Humboldt Hilton.

Or, maybe that free Room and Board is what you want. I am so sorry I had to have the phone turned off. I really can't afford to pay for you and me. And "Me" won out. Happy New Year.

Bertha Herd Trinidad

Healthcare concerns

(The following letter was sent to Assemblymember Jim Wood. – Ed.)

In your several public declarations, you have repeatedly claimed you are determined to usher into our state a single-payer, universal healthcare system.

I surely wish, as does our group, Healthcare For All-Humboldt, to have confidence in this proposal. However, we have concerns.

In brief, you have accepted sizeable donations from corporate interests. Although those donations are not recent, they inspire suspicion and mistrust from those of us

who have only votes with which to combat this influence. We know how politics so often operates. Our overriding concern is that such influence may be expressed ultimately in a sort of cobbled together healthcare system that includes a profit motive to satisfy those who would enrich themselves thereby.

We know without a shadow of a doubt that any profiteering in healthcare will doom a single-payer system to failure as it has for the few attempts by other states. ANY involvement by corporate interests must be strictly controlled by the state, as they are in other industrialized democracies that provide effective, affordable, universal healthcare. We wonder how committed you are to avoiding this all-too-often occurrence.

Another concern is your claim of necessity for lengthy study. We have no objection to a thorough-going process. However, SB 562 has been jailed for over six months. There have been *three* days of input from the Select Committee, which has no power to enact any resolution or law.

We understand Rome was not built in a day, but at least one must suspect the Romans were working every day until it was.

We understand it cannot be done at once but we want to see real progress. I listened to seven hours of testimony from this last committee event and heard very little of a nuts and bolts contribution to actually constructing a single-payer system.

Compared to what is set out in SB 562, which at least presents an actual proposed structure of how it might be built, (a proposal deserving augmentation, amendment, discussion, etc.) that would result in the actual implementation of such a system, these discussions, so far, have *not* been impressive! Neither, by the way, have we heard from anyone about the validity of the Pollin Report that effectively fills that obvious gap of funding in the bill.

We also are concerned that the result of these discussions might terminate in an "incremental" approach to providing healthcare. This idea, again, is doomed to failure as so many stop-gap programs have illustrated, being attempts to cobble together a half-baked solution to our national healthcare crisis. We do *not* want to see this repeated in any way in California!

These are some of the issues which bedevil our wish to believe and trust in your insistence on getting to the finish line. You could do a lot to allay our fears by addressing them in a very public manner. Maybe SB 562 will never see the light of day. If a viable, single-payer, universal system, free of encumbrance by corporate interests, emerged from the ashes, we would be delighted. But if any of the alternatives are presented in its place, I cannot begin to convey to you our disappointment at such confirmation of our worst fears about you

and about the fate of our great state.

Sincerely yours,  
**Patty Harvey**  
Director, Healthcare For All-Humboldt

The Party of Greed

President Trump and the GOP have touted the recently passed Tax Cut and Jobs Act as a big boost for the middle class. Well, while U.S. taxpayers will see an average tax savings of \$2,000, a true middle class taxpayer might see a savings in the \$1,000 range with lower income earners seeing far less.

On the other hand, people making millions will fare far better saving many thousands or even more. It is estimated that the president's son-in-law Jared Kushner should save at least \$5 million annually while Trump himself saving double that.

And as if these annual savings weren't enough, another change has doubled the estate tax exclusion which means that Trump and four of his cabinet members are also in line to save an additional \$4.5 million each in estate taxes when they leave this earth. Certainly these savings dwarf those predicted for the middle class.

Given how much this act bestows on the wealthy taxpayer who really doesn't need it, I would say the GOP has now earned itself a new name, the POG or Party Of Greed.

**Sherman Schapiro**  
**Blue Lake**

Thank you from family

The family of Erin Henry would like to relay our thanks to all who assisted in the search for Erin.

To the Arcata Police Department and all assisting law enforcement agencies, the faculty and students of HSU, local media, The Lost Coast Trackers, the people of Arcata, Eureka and all surrounding communities who mobilized and helped search for our precious Erin, we would like to express our deepest gratitude.

Although Erin was found deceased, she was at least found. This was as a result of the information shared by thousands in Humboldt County. Thank you to the Caltrans employee who diligently reported finding a knee scooter, after being made aware of Erin's disappearance and description.

We would also like to encourage others suffering from depression, or related ailments, to seek help. Please help to eliminate any stigma associated with needing medication or treatment in order to function as a happy, healthy human being.

You can reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1(800) 273-8255.

A very deep, heartfelt THANK YOU!  
From the family of **Erin Henry**  
**Wyoming**

Lighthouse | Temporary fix?

❖ FROM A1

foot by 14 foot concrete foundation about 22 feet east of the lighthouse. Last week, as protesters stood atop the lighthouse, workers cut through the lighthouse’s foundation with cement saws, freeing the structure from its moorings.

The lighthouse, built in 1949, is a replica of the real lighthouse that still operates on Trinidad Head. The Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse also serves as a memorial, with names engraved on it and on nearby walls, of locals who have died or were lost at sea.

The move is being done under an emergency permit issued by the City of Trinidad after the bluff the lighthouse sits on began slumping. Last year engineers hired by the Trinidad Civic Club, warned the volunteer organization that if the lighthouse is not moved, it could topple down the bluff when the area is saturated from winter rains.

The cost of moving the lighthouse is pegged at about \$45,000, but that doesn’t include the costs of some of the repairs that will be needed after the move is complete.

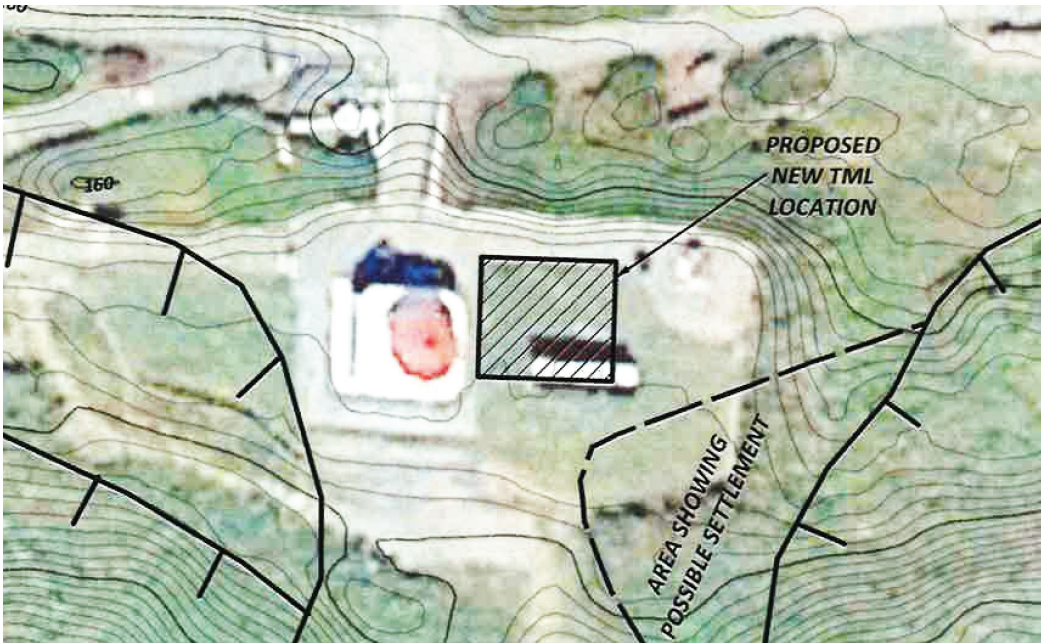
In the coming month or two, the Trinidad Civic Club will have to apply for a full-blown coastal development permit for the project. This will open up a new round of public hearings.

According to an engineering report commissioned by the club, the new location for the lighthouse should be considered temporary, as the site would not be deemed geologically “stable” by the California Coastal Commission, which will be considering the coastal development permit for the project.

If the commission agrees to permit the project, there would most likely be some sort of agreement that the lighthouse would be removed from the site if the structure is threatened by further erosion.

**The protests**

On Thursday, Dec. 28,



**NEW LOCATION** This graphic from the emergency permit application shows the new location where the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse will be moved.

about 20 protesters showed up, with some holding signs on Edwards Street while a small handful of protesters climbed atop the lighthouse.

“They’re up there because they are trying to protect the village,” said Sarah Lindgren-Akana, referring to the Tsurai village, a burial ground located below the bluff on which the lighthouse sits.

Lindgren, secretary for the Tsurai Ancestral Society, said the lighthouse adds to the erosion problem on the bluff and should be moved elsewhere.

“I think the lighthouse should be saved, but in a different location,” Lindgren said.

The Tsurai site was one of the largest Yurok villages before the start of the California Gold Rush. “For Yuroks, the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse is a monument to this tragic era. We feel like it is no different than the statues created to honor Confederate soldiers in the South,” said Frankie Myers, the Yurok Tribal Heritage preservation officer, in a press release (see page A3) issued last month stating the tribe’s opposition of the project. “What we’re asking is for the city

and Civic Club to give the same respect to our ancestors as they give to the families of the 238 people who were buried at sea.”

Others protesting the lighthouse held up signs stating “Native rights,” “Attack one village is an attack on all,” “Relocate the lighthouse” and “Remove from Tsurai.” A banner hung on the lighthouse included the hashtag #allgravesmatter.

Since Thursday’s protest, the anti-lighthouse movement appears to have gained momentum, with more protesters turning out and occupying the lighthouse. Protesters have been camping out overnight at the site and holding evening vigils.

Fleschner said she would like to protect both the village and the lighthouse, and said that both goals can be accomplished. Engineers, she said, have said that the move will put the lighthouse on more stable ground and prevent from tumbling down into the village.

State of McK meeting set for Jan. 17

**McKINLEYVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**McKINLEYVILLE** – On Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 8:30 a.m. the McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce will hold its State of McKinleyville forum at the Holiday Inn Express, 3107 Concorde Dr. in McKinleyville.

Confirmed panelists include Fifth District Supervisor Ryan Sundberg, Humboldt County Sheriff Lt. Kevin Miller, Arcata Fire Chief Justin McDonald, McKinleyville Community Services District General Manager Greg Orsini, Humboldt County Planning & Building Director John Ford and McKinleyville Neighborhood & Business Watch coordinator Christine Willfong.

The panel will focus on issues that impact local businesses and the community. Topics that the panel may touch on:

- How Measure Z funds are being put to use in McKinleyville.
- Recent and planned improvements to McKinleyville.
- Clarification on the cannabis industry and zoning regulations for McKinleyville.
- Steps that have been taken to help curb the homeless/drug issues in McKinleyville.
- How theft is affecting local businesses and possible solutions.

Mack Town has become one of the fastest growing communities in Humboldt County. It is important that we do our best to protect our businesses and community members. One way to do that would be to join the McKinleyville Business watch program. Willfong will have informational handouts on the benefits and how to join.

To register for the State of McKinleyville event, contact the McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce at (707) 839-2449 or email [contact@mckinleyvillechamber.com](mailto:contact@mckinleyvillechamber.com). Coffee and morning pastries will be served.

**BOWL OF BEANS** The 18th Annual Bowl of Beans Benefit will be held on Monday, Jan. 15 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway. This event honors Dr. King and his good work while benefiting our local youth. Enjoy a dinner of rice and beans from 5 to 6:30 p.m., then performances by Storyteller Baba Jamal Koram, Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir & Youth Choir, Asha Nan and more. Admission is \$6 at the door. For information, contact the Arcata Recreation Division at (707) 822-7091.

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## A BIRD IN THE HAND...

**THE SECRET LIVES OF PLOVERS** Join the Redwood Region Audubon Society on Friday, Jan. 12 for a program titled "The Secret Lives of Plovers: Tales from Madagascar and Beyond" presented by Dr. Luke Eberhart-Phillips, postdoctoral researcher at the Max Planck Institute for Ornithology in Seewiesen, Germany. Dr. Eberhart-Phillips, shown here holding a Kittlitz Plover, will take us on a journey into the baobab wetlands of southwestern Madagascar, where he studied the alternative reproductive strategies of three plover species. He will relate these findings to his work on our local snowy plovers. He will also address the practical benefits of understanding breeding behavior in the context of wildlife conservation and management. The program starts at 7:30 p.m. at Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd., Arcata. Bring a mug for shade-grown coffee and come fragrance-free.

PHOTO BY LUKE EBERHART-PHILLIPS

## Brewery beard contest to benefit teen center

### SIX RIVERS BREWERY

MCKINLEYVILLE – When McKinleyville Parks and Recreation Coordinator Jens Andersen first saw the documentary *Growin' A Beard* while on a trip a few years ago, he was inspired. Set in the small town of Shamrock, Texas, all men are required to grow a Donegal-style beard by their annual St. Patrick's Day Festival and on that day judges choose a winner based on a set of criteria. Those who do not have a beard must have a "shave pass."

He came home thinking, "that would make a really great fundraiser." Recalling that Six Rivers Brewery celebrates their anniversary on St. Patrick's Day, he reached out to co-owner Talia Nachshon and the seed was planted. "This is something Jens and I have wanted to do for years and we're so excited to finally make it happen. Supporting the Teen Center is really important to us!"

Co-owner Meredith Maier agreed, "We all know that beards and beer go together. And if we can do something to help raise money for our community, it's a win-win." Thus, Brew Your Beard was born.

While the finale of this competition will no doubt be a hilarious good time, the real heart of the contest is raising money to help furnish a recording studio at the McKinleyville Teen Center. They have the space, they just need to fill it with equipment.

Jesse Summerson, McKinleyville Teen Center Unit Director, says both he and the teens are eagerly awaiting the completion of the recording studio. So much so, in fact, he already meets weekly with a group of teens to discuss their lyrical compositions in the future home of the studio space. Having spent years working with teens, he remarks that music is a real unifier. "When you can get two kids working on a piece of music together, all of their differences seem to fade away."

BEARD ♦ B2

**CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING** Cub Scout Pack 95 will be picking up Christmas trees in the Arcata/McKinleyville area on Saturday, Jan. 6 and hauling them to greenwaste for recycling. Folks interested in having scouts pick up their tree should call or text (707) 440-9272 or email [arcatacubscouts@gmail.com](mailto:arcatacubscouts@gmail.com). You should leave your name, address, phone number and your preferred pick up date.

Note that this number can receive text messages for those that prefer this over leaving a voicemail. The scouts request that folks leave a donation for the tree pick-up services but it is not required – folks that wish to donate can leave any amount they wish. Typical donations are in the \$5-\$20 range but again its totally up to the individual if and how much they wish to donate. The activity is primarily to provide a community service, but any provided donations will be used to help fund scouting activities such as camping trips and day outings, pack activities such as bowling, swimming, roller skating climbing wall, etc. SUBMITTED PHOTO



## AT YOUR

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**WITH YOU THE FORCE BE** Tyler Hunt performed music for *Star Wars: The Last Jedi*. Hunt, left, grew up in Arcata. Right, Hunt with famed composer John Williams.

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## A LOCAL STAR SHINES IN 'STAR WARS: THE LAST JEDI'

### Janine Volkmar

#### MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Whether you are a serious Star Wars fan or just loved the first movie, it's hard to forget that bar scene with the assorted monsters, glowing drinks and mesmerizing music played by some seriously strange musicians. "Cantina," the music composed for that scene by John Williams, has been covered by symphony orchestras, jazz bands and solo artists around the world since the film debuted in 1977.

Now a musician who attended Arcata High School and graduated from Humboldt State University has been tapped to contribute his unique musical stylings to the latest Star Wars epic, *The Last Jedi* (2017).

Tyler Hunt plays the steelpan in the track, "Canto Bight" and John Williams loved his performance. Williams was quoted in an article in *Pan Magazine*, written by Ted Goslin. "I am delighted to be able to congratulate and thank this outstanding performer," Williams said. "It was a surprise and a complete delight to have crossed paths with Tyler Hunt and be able to appreciate his outstanding artistry."

Hunt's artistry has been developing for years, according to his professor at Humboldt, Dr. Eugene Novotney. "Some people you know are going to succeed, not only by their talent and artistry, but also because who they are as people," Novotney said. "I'm happy to see him succeed, but I always knew he would."

Hunt graduated from Humboldt in 2011 with a music degree in percussion performance. He went on to earn a Master's in Music in percussion at California State University, Long Beach.

"In addition to being an outstanding steelpan player, Tyler is an outstanding classical musician," Novotney added.

Hunt plays all types of percussion

instruments and the piano as well. He performed with the Eureka Symphony as well as with many bands and ensembles at Humboldt.

Now based in Long Beach, Hunt is in his own description, "a full-time freelance musician and educator."

He teaches at "a variety of schools, performs in a variety of bands, and works as a recording engineer."

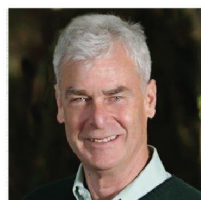
His most recent gig is playing in the Feliz Navidad parade at Disneyland, which is launched six times a day for around two months, "but I don't play in every parade," he said.

How did it happen that he got involved with *The Last Jedi*?

"I've watched all the movies and enjoyed the bar scene in the first one but I didn't realize it had steelpan in it," he said. Hunt hadn't started playing the pans at that time. He started steelpan "in the Humboldt State Calypso Band," according to Novotney.

"I've actually played the piece in a

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## There’ a FUN Committee in BL

Welcome 2018! I’m not sure about you, but I have great hopes for all that Blue Lake has to offer this year!

### Paint, find rocks

Let’s start the year out right with something positive, fun, and perfect for the whole family. The Blue Lake FUN Committee, an informal group of Blue Lakers who want to create more activities within the city, is hosting a Rock Painting Day, followed by a great Rock Hide within the City of Blue Lake.

Come to the Mad River Grange, located at 110 Hatchery Rd., on Saturday, Jan. 6 at 3 p.m. to paint rocks. Bring your own rocks, or use a few that will be available.

All paint supplies and even some inspiration will be provided. Then, on Sunday, Jan. 7, all day, hide and find the rocks!

A special Facebook page has been set up @ [bluelakerocks95525](#) for participants to post their clues or to comment on the rocks they find.

Watch out Stoned in Humboldt, Blue Lake wants a special piece of the action too!

### People gather

School starts up again on Monday, Jan. 8. This also seems to be the time when other groups get back to their normal schedule, with the Blue Lake Fire District meeting on Monday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Blue Lake Public Safety Commission meets on Monday, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. (plus there is an opening on this commission for a Blue Lake resident!).

Blue Lake City Council meets on Tuesday, Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. and the Mad River Grange meets on Wednesday, Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. (Pot Luck at 6 p.m.).

### Be connected and informed

It’s my hope that by letting everyone know when there are other meetings going on, the community can be more engaged and better informed. An involved community is a healthy community.

Happy New Year, and may 2018 bring you joy and happiness.



❖ BLUE LAKE NOTES  
April Sousa

## Baskets on display in the seaside village’s museum

Working Baskets is on view at Trinidad Museum. Curated by Jill Mefford, the exhibit shows essential utilitarian baskets central to Northwest Coast Indian life.

Jill wrote that "baskets are perishable; baskets used in daily life were hard-worked and short-lived. These fragile, functional tools are a valued part of the Trinidad Museum collection and the story they tell. The range of highly specialized baskets in use, requiring a wide variety of plant materials collected and traded over considerable distances, attests to a long tradition of experimentation and refinement. The exhibit presents the domestic baskets used for gathering,



❖ TRINIDAD TIDINGS  
Patti Fleschner

storage, food preparation, especially acorn processing, cooking and eating. The examples show burn marks, repairs and reinforcements."

Jill prepared the exhibit with assistance from Kateri Masten, Alexandra Cox, Ron Johnson, and Bill Snell.

Trinidad Museum, 400 Janis Ct., is open Thursday through Sunday from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Special school or group tours can be arranged by calling (707) 677-3816.

### ‘Hopes and Dreams of Big Lagoon School’

Jennifer Glueck, Superintendent-Principal of Big Lagoon School, will be guest speaker at the Thursday, Jan. 4, 2018 Trinidad Civic Club meeting.

Dana Hope will preside at the busi-

ness meeting starting at 10 a.m. and program chairman Penne O’Gara will introduce the speaker at about 11 a.m. Hostesses for the morning are Janine Volkmar, Joan Baker and Lena Macy. Members and guests welcome to attend.

### ‘Music’s Magic’ at Inner Center Fine Arts Institute Salon

Inner Center Fine Arts Institute, Inc. co-founder Donna Haddock will begin the new year with a Ladies Salon called "Music’s Magic" on Friday, Jan. 5 at 10 a.m.

Participants are encouraged to bring a favorite piece of music to share. Call (707) 496-5350 for information, Salon location, and reservations. A \$10 donation is suggested. Light refreshments will be served.

Email Patti at [baycity@sonic.net](mailto:baycity@sonic.net).

## Fall season inspires new exhibit in Westhaven

### WESTHAVEN CENTER FOR THE ARTS

WESTHAVEN – “Autumn Solitude,” paintings and photographs by Marceau Verdiere, is the January-February show at Westhaven Center for the Arts. There will be an opening reception on Sunday, Jan. 7, from 1 to 4 P.M..

A native of France, Verdiere is an instructor at the Northcoast Preparatory Arts Academy. He works in oil on a variety of surfaces to create abstract paintings based on nature.

In describing his work, Verdiere states “These paintings were created during the fall, a season that I cherish more than any other. The transition between summer and winter is a time during which I feel most alive as I see nature explode in changing colors and lights. As Camus once wrote: ‘Autumn is a second spring in which every leaf becomes a flower.’ However, it is also a time of anticipation of the coming winter, a time in which our colors inevitably surrender to the grey I so dread. It is a juggling of melancholia and euphoria.”

“The basis of my work is simply life, from which I attempt to abstract all layers of time past and future, aiming to lay bare the present moment,” Verdiere said. “Current-

ly, I am consumed with the study of different philosophical aesthetic principles, focusing primarily on the Japanese concepts making up what is known as Wabi-Sabi. These concepts speak to me in a most profound way. The appreciation of the simple, lopsided, weathered and worn, opens a sense of deep compassion that I strive to connect with while painting.”

“I create my paintings by applying then removing paint in all sorts of manners, putting the surface through a myriad of abuses in the process, allowing for remaining traces of paint to create the images I end up with. The result could be described as austere and simple but closer looks should reveal the complexity of the creation,” Verdiere said.

This exhibit is the second part of two musings about the Fall season. The first part is titled “Autumn Reveries” and is on display at Umpqua Upstairs gallery in Arcata until Feb 6. You can see more of his work at [marceauverdiere.com](http://marceauverdiere.com).

Westhaven Center for the Arts is located at 501 South Westhaven Drive. The gallery is open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Visit center on Facebook and at [westhavencentral.org](http://westhavencentral.org).

**GO DANCING** The Humboldt Folk Dancers invite the public to a live music, World Dance Party, Friday, Jan. 5 from 8 to 11 p.m. at the Redwood Raks World Dance Studio, 824 L St., in the Creamery District in Arcata. The event features easy dances and an evening of world music with international bands. All ages and dance levels are welcome.

**CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL** The Humboldt Waste Management Authority will be accepting Christmas trees for drop off at no charge at its facility at 1059 West Hawthorne St, in Eureka through Jan. 15. Trees can be placed in the large blue bin across from the transfer station scale house. For information call (707) 268-8680.

**STORY TELLING AT LIBRARY** Storyteller Baba Jamal Koram returns to Humboldt County and presents a special performance at the Eureka Library on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. This extraordinary Story Man tells amazing tales from Africa and the African American tradition, as well as many original stories taken from his life. With his commanding voice and rhythmic drumming, Baba Jamal takes his audience to faraway times and places, and brings everyone back home. Koram has been a featured storyteller at the National Storytelling Festival, the Smithsonian and Kennedy Center, and has received the Circle of Excellence Oracle Award from the National Storytelling Network and the Zora Neale Hurston Award from the National Association of Black Storytelling. The library’s programs and services are free, and accessible to persons with disabilities. The Humboldt County Library is located at 1313 Third St. in Eureka and at [humlib.org](http://humlib.org). For further information or to ask for accessibility assistance, call (707) 269-1910. This event is sponsored by First 5 Humboldt.

## Blue Lake School receives \$73,500 from casino

### BLUE LAKE RANCHERIA

BLUE LAKE – Blue Lake Rancheria and Blue Lake Casino & Hotel surprised Blue Lake School recently with a \$73,500 donation at an awards assembly.

The funds will ensure the school can continue the after-school music program, art classes, fieldtrips, the GATE program and buy new playground equipment. Coupled with the \$180,000 donation in January 2017,

the tribe has donated more \$250,000 to the school in 2017 alone.

The tribe has made a commitment to support education in a variety of ways. One highlight is the eighth grade scholarship program – each student who graduates eighth grade from Blue Lake School receives a \$500 certificate that they can redeem upon successful graduation from high school.

Over the years, the tribe has also

donated funding and program design to California State University system and Humboldt State University to increase Native American enrollment in higher education across the state.

The tribe also underwrites multiple honorary scholarships named after local Blue Lake School educators and partners with a number of local government and non-government organizations that are dedicated to fostering excellence in education.

## \$50K donated so poor kids can have toys

### BLUE LAKE CASINO

BLUE LAKE – Blue Lake Casino & Hotel’s 9th Annual Holiday Gift Drive, in partnership with Toys for Tots, has raised over \$50,000 this year.

The drive started on Nov. 1st and was held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Dec. 22.

More than 5,000 casino guests donated \$10 and received \$20 in Blue Bucks (free slot play) in return. Together the community has raised more than \$1 million in the

nine years the Holiday Gift Drive has been running.

This year, Toys for Tots has been able to provide gifts for 8,000 families in Mendocino, Humboldt, and Trinity counties, including many families affected by the fires. In addition to toys, each family received a soccer ball and got to choose from stuffed animals, fishing poles, books, craft kits, or a family game or puzzle. To make or request a donation for a child or family in need, contact Toys for Tots at (707) 443-4880 or visit [eureka-ca.toysfortots.org](http://eureka-ca.toysfortots.org).

## Beard | Money to go to McK music room

### ❖ FROM B1

The McKinleyville Teen Center is a partnership between McKinleyville Community Services District and the Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods.

It currently serves close to 300 local youth ages 11 to 18.

Once open, the recording studio will be available for use by additional Boys and Girls Club of the Redwoods Teen Centers in Eureka and Klamath, benefitting hundreds and hundreds more local children. Brew Your Beard - Growing for a Good Cause sign ups started on New Year’s Day and will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. on through today,

Jan. 3 at Six Rivers Brewery. Contestants should arrive clean shaven with their registration fee of \$25. A Beard Pageant will be held on St. Patrick’s Day, March 17 at the brewery’s 14th Anniversary Party. Prizes will be awarded in multiple categories.

For those not able to physically participate but who want to get in on the fun, “tickets” are available for purchase online at [brewyourbeard.brownpapertickets.com/](http://brewyourbeard.brownpapertickets.com/). If individuals or businesses would like to donate funds or equipment to the recording studio at the McKinleyville Teen Center, contact Jesse Summerson at (707) 840-0304.

## Hunt | ‘An incredible experience’

### ❖ FROM B1

steel band setting,” Hunt said.

Hunt was recommended to Williams by percussionist Greg Goodall. He had a meeting with Williams and was chosen. The Academy Award winning composer was writing a new work but one that paid homage to the earlier “Cantina.”

Hunt talked about the recording of the soundtrack. “It was an incredible experience, kind of surreal to see the orchestra playing and Williams conducting. I got to talk to him one on one. He was extremely nice, very friendly and very positive. It was just a delightful experience,” he said.

“Of course, it was terrifying,” he added.

This was Hunt’s first film experience but he hopes it will not be his last.

Here’s a young man who is performing, teaching and composing his own music.

Wait and see how the stars will shine for him. Hunt has a website “under construction” which should be completed in a few months.

Watch for [tylerhuntpercussion](#) on social media and see what else he gets up to! And if you haven’t seen *Star Wars: The Last Jedi* yet, here’s your chance to give an extra careful listen for one of our own stars in the “Canto Bight” scene.

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# Arcata meeting on proposed towers

**REDWOOD NATIONAL & STATE PARKS**

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Meetings will be held next week in Arcata and Klamath to explain the project and receive public input. (See meeting times and location below.)

The state is accepting comments until Jan. 29 on a draft environmental impact report (DEIR) for the relocation of the Red Mountain communication site in Six Rivers National Forest. The NPS is seeking comments on the proposals in the DEIR that would affect lands and resources in Redwood National Park.

The Red Mountain tower is located in Del Norte County in an area of cultural significance to Yurok and Tolowa peoples.

The tower and associated facilities are authorized under a special-use permit issued by the U.S. Forest Service to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. State-owned facilities must be removed from Red Mountain when the permit expires on Dec. 31, 2022.

The Red Mountain tower is used by Del Norte and Humboldt counties, California Highway Patrol, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, California Department of Transportation, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Forest Service and the NPS to communicate information about emergency response requirements, emergency alerts, fire hazards and other natural and man-made hazards that could threaten lives and property in the region.

A combination of several sites is needed to provide a level of radio service equivalent to Red Mountain coverage. Five sites are evaluated in the DEIR. Rattlesnake Peak and Alder Camp are in Del Norte County. In Humboldt County, two Green Diamond Resource Company sites in the Big Lagoon area, a site near Orick, and Rodgers Peak in Redwood National Park are being considered.

The state is proposing a combination of three sites: Rodgers Peak in the national park, Rattlesnake Peak, and Alder Camp.

The DEIR is available for review on the California Department of General Services website at [dgs.ca.gov/resd/Programs/EnvironmentalServicesSection/CaliforniaEnvironmentalQualityAct.aspx](https://dgs.ca.gov/resd/Programs/EnvironmentalServicesSection/CaliforniaEnvironmentalQualityAct.aspx).

The state will hold two public meetings to present the proposed project and accept comments on the DEIR. The meetings will be an open house style with stations set up for attendees to obtain information about the project and discuss concerns with project staff.

A meeting will be held in Arcata on Wednesday, Jan. 10 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway in the Arts and Crafts Room.

A meeting will be held in Klamath on Thursday, Jan. 11 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Klamath Community Center, 219 Salmon Rd., Klamath.

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SC DEPUTY CLERK  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
17-00660  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**CALICANN TRACKING &**

**LOGISTICAL SERVICES**  
1344 UNDERHILL AVENUE  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
P.O.BOX 2269  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
IVY R. LUCCO  
1136 UNDERHILL AVENUE  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
SAMANTHA I. GEISEN  
120 HIDDEN VALLEY ROAD  
BAYSIDE, CA 95524  
This business is conducted by:  
A General Partnership  
S/IVY R. LUCCO, PARTNER  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 15, 2017  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
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1227, 13, 110, 124

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
17-00618  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**ROOTED VITALITY**  
4705 MELODY COURT  
BAYSIDE, CA 95524  
P.O. BOX 5315  
ARCATA, CA 95518  
ALISON R. WELLINGTON  
4705 MELODY COURT  
BAYSIDE, CA 95524  
This business is conducted by:  
An Individual  
S/ALISON R. WELLINGTON, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 22, 2017  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
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1220, 1227, 13, 110

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
17-00655  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**REDWOOD REHEARSAL ROOMS**  
1355 SAMOA BLVD #4  
1160 BOSS ROAD  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
JUSTIN S. WIRTHMAN  
1160 BOSS ROAD  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
This business is conducted by:  
An Individual  
S/JUSTIN S. WIRTHMAN, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 14, 2017  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
SC DEPUTY CLERK  
1220, 1227, 13, 110

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
17-00656  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**LOCAL LANDSCAPES**  
1355 SAMOA BLVD #11  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
1160 BOSS ROAD

**MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519**  
**S J WIRTHMAN**  
1160 BOSS ROAD  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
This business is conducted by:  
An Individual  
S/JUSTIN S. WIRTHMAN, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 14, 2017  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
SC DEPUTY CLERK  
1220, 1227, 13, 110

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
17-00636  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**THE GREEN BEAN**  
281 WILDWOOD AVE.  
RIO DELL, CA 95562  
P.O.BOX 369  
FORTUNA, CA 95540  
TAWNY M. MORSE  
430 NEWTON RD.,  
WEOTT, CA 95571  
This business is conducted by:  
An Individual  
S/TAWNY MORSE, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 5, 2017  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
SC DEPUTY CLERK  
1220, 1227, 13, 110

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
17-00621  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**VITAL FLOW**  
CLEANSING CENTER  
1085 I STREET, SUITE 115  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
1150 JEFFERSON STREET  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
ASHTON E. WIESNER  
1150 JEFFERSON STREET  
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519  
This business is conducted by:  
An Individual  
S/ASHTON E. WIESNER  
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 27, 2017  
KELLY E. SANDERS  
SC DEPUTY CLERK  
1213, 1220, 1227, 13

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
17-00642  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**CRAIGS GARDENING & MAINTENANCE**  
4992 AIRSTREAM AVE  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
CRAIG R. MILLERBIS  
4992 AIRSTREAM AVE  
ARCATA, CA 95521  
This business is conducted by:  
An Individual  
S/CRAIG R MILLERBIS, OWNER

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GEORGE JOSEPH HITT**  
CASE NO.: PR170350  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: GEORGE JOSEPH HITT, AKA GEORGE J. HITT.  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: JAMES HITT in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: JAMES HITT be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:  
Date: FEB. 1, 2018  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 6  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for the petitioner: J. BRYCE KENNY  
P.O. BOX 361  
TRINIDAD, CA 95570  
(707)442-4431  
1227, 13, 110, 117

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BERNARD MCMAHAN**  
CASE NO.: PR170358  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: BERNARD MCMAHAN.  
Petition for Probate has been filed by: RASMIEY CHUM in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: RASMIEY CHUM be appointed as personal representative to administer the

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CAROLYN L. LEGENDRE**  
CASE NO.: PR170353  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: CAROLYN L. LEGENDRE.  
Petition for Probate has been filed by: JEANNETTE SHINN in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: JEANNETTE SHINN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:  
Date: JAN 25, 2018  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 4  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
Attorney for the petitioner: JOSHUA R. KAUFMAN

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CAROLYN L. LEGENDRE**  
CASE NO.: PR170353  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: CAROLYN L. LEGENDRE.  
Petition for Probate has been filed by: JEANNETTE SHINN in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: JEANNETTE SHINN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:  
Date: JAN 18, 2018  
Time: 2:00 PM  
Dept.: 4  
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.  
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the

**CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294**  
Case Name: VALERIE BROOKE Case No.: JV170046  
1. To Tabetha Brooke, David Bulwinkle, Nicholas Cretsinger and anyone claiming to be a parent of Valerie Brooke born on 2/27/2017 at Mad River Hospital, Arcata, CA.  
2. A hearing will be held on March 14, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.  
3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommenda-

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
The City Council of the City of Blue Lake will hold a public hearing on the adoption by reference of the Blue Lake Municipal Code, as compiled, edited, and published by Quality Code Publishing Company, Seattle Washington. The Blue Lake Municipal Code, once adopted, will contain a compilation and codification of existing and future ordinances into an organized code that will be published and available online and at City Hall. Copies of the Blue Lake Municipal Code being considered for adoption by reference are on file with the City Clerk, and are open to public inspection during normal business hours.  
The Public Hearing will be held on January 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Skinner Store, 111 Greenwood Rd. Blue Lake, CA (behind City Hall).  
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# OBITUARY

## Mayer Segal, 1917 - 2017

Mayer Segal died peacefully on Dec. 14, 2017. His journey began in the small town of Elbow Lake, Minnesota in 1917 and ended in Bay-side, California, over one hundred years later.

In his youth in Los Angeles, he formed friendships that would continue for more than 80 years. After graduating from UCLA, his real education began. Mayer did social work with the Dust Bowl immigrants, saw good friends sent to Japanese relocation camps, worked in the shipyards in the Bay Area, and became active in the Machinists Union.

Each step along the way opened his eyes to issues of social justice that he would care about for the rest of his life. He took his children to peace marches in San Francisco and United Farm Worker gatherings in Delano.

When Mayer and his wife Betty arrived in Humboldt in 1994, he added a new level of awareness for the environment to his other concerns. Mayer wasn't all seriousness though. While in the Bay Area, he was known to single-handedly escort six or seven



**MAYER SEGAL at the river.**  
SUBMITTED PHOTO

young grandchildren to the zoo or a fair.

He always loved to have family and friends around the table for meals and lively conversations. He thoroughly enjoyed the many events in Humboldt, from the Pride Parade to the Kinetic Sculpture Race to the opportunities for education and entertainment at HSU.

He enjoyed the fellowship and social actions of the Unitarians and contributed to the newsletter and voter guides of the HOPE Coalition. And he wrote poems for special occasions!

Each of his five children, their partners, and nine grandchildren has their treasured collection of personalized birthday cards.



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He often said that one of his greatest joys was that his children and grandchildren all got along with each other, not all that surprising with the example he had set.

When he was younger, he hoped that he might see the year 2000, then to celebrate his fiftieth anniversary, then his 90th birthday and his 95th birthday. He celebrated his 100th birthday last summer. He had a long and full life.

His legacy of compassion and activism lives on in his children and his grandchildren. No services are planned at this time as so many friends were able to honor him in person on his last birthday.

If you are so moved, contributions to organizations that promote social justice or environmental conservation would be fitting tributes.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

# Ring in the new year with Freckles, Sadie

Happy New Year! I hope 2018 is starting off well for you and that all of your pets got through the celebrations without too much distress.

Redwood Pals has a special dog in our little Freckles. Freckles is a male cattle dog mix, just about a year old and about 45 pounds. Freckles is completely deaf but was lucky enough to land with a foster who has already started training him with vibration and hand signals.

He is so smart and responsive! Freckles knows all of his basic commands and has potential for agility work as well. Freckles is housebroken and crate-trained. He loves other dogs and all humans. His most favorite activity is fetching, but he also makes a great running buddy. Overall, he is just a sweet and happy pup! If you are wondering why his foster doesn't just keep him, the answer is that she would have loved to, but a family emergency came up and she has to be gone for an indefinite period.

You know this is a good dog when the foster doesn't re-



Freckles



Sadie

ally want to say goodbye. If you would like to meet Freckles and take up where his foster has left off, please contact us at [redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com) or call (707) 839-9692. Freckles is neutered, current on vaccinations and can be microchipped at adoption.

The shelter has a large selection of available dogs right now, including about half a dozen puppies. One of the puppies available is Sadie, a 3-month-old puppy that came in to the shelter with a case of sarcoptic mange, which is the contagious kind. She spent some time in isolation at the shelter and then was lucky enough to snag a foster that could take her home to recuperate.

I walked right by Sadie without recognizing her this

week; she looks so different now that she has hair again! This puppy was very patient with her treatment which included a lot of baths and lotion applications.

She has been good at entertaining herself with her toys and is so appreciative of attention from the volunteers! Sadie is fully recovered now; there is no chance of infecting another animal in the home.

Come meet this sweet little girl at the shelter and see what a good puppy she is!

The shelter is open Monday through Friday at 980 Locomotive Ave. in McKinleyville.

Sadie is spayed, microchipped and current on her vaccinations. More information is available at (707) 840-9132.



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HSU ATHLETICS

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The Jacks move to 6-1 in CCAA conference play with the win, and now boast a 4-1 mark in their home venue. The result was especially significant because Dominguez Hills brought in a 5-2 conference record, nipping at the Jacks' heels in conference play.

The Jacks were led by Isamar Conde's 16 points and seven rebounds, as she continued a run of sterling play as of late. Tyla Turner also managed seven rebounds to go with her 14 points, and Jovanah Arrington scored 14 off the bench and hit 3-of-6 from distance. Tyra Turner also chipped in 14 on 6-of-8 shooting from the field.

"It's really rewarding because I think everybody did a little bit of what they needed to over our Christmas break," said Arrington. "And we came back and practiced hard."



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